

1 AN ACT concerning animals.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Animal Control Act is amended by changing  
5 Sections 3, 9, 10, 13, 15, and 15.1 as follows:

6 (510 ILCS 5/3) (from Ch. 8, par. 353)

7 Sec. 3. The County Board Chairman with the consent of the  
8 County Board shall appoint an Administrator. Appointments  
9 shall be made as necessary to keep this position filled at all  
10 times. The Administrator may appoint as many Deputy  
11 Administrators and Animal Control Wardens to aid him or her as  
12 authorized by the Board. The compensation for the  
13 Administrator, Deputy Administrators, and Animal Control  
14 Wardens shall be fixed by the Board. The Administrator may be  
15 removed from office by the County Board Chairman, with the  
16 consent of the County Board.

17 The Board shall provide necessary personnel, training,  
18 equipment, supplies, and facilities, and shall operate pounds  
19 or contract for their operation as necessary to effectuate the  
20 program. The Board may enter into contracts or agreements with  
21 persons to assist in the operation of the program and may  
22 establish a county animal population control program.

23 The Board shall be empowered to utilize monies from their

1 General Corporate Fund to effectuate the intent of this Act.

2 The Board is authorized by ordinance to require the  
3 registration and may require microchipping of dogs and cats.  
4 The Board shall impose an individual dog or cat registration  
5 fee with a minimum differential of \$10 for intact dogs or cats.  
6 Ten dollars of the differential shall be placed ~~either~~ in a  
7 county animal population control fund ~~or in the State's Pet~~  
8 ~~Population Control Fund~~. All persons selling dogs or cats or  
9 keeping registries of dogs or cats shall cooperate and provide  
10 information to the Administrator as required by Board  
11 ordinance, including sales, number of litters, and ownership of  
12 dogs and cats. If microchips are required, the microchip number  
13 may serve as the county animal control registration number.

14 In obtaining information required to implement this Act,  
15 the Department shall have power to subpoena and bring before it  
16 any person in this State and to take testimony either orally or  
17 by deposition, or both, with the same fees and mileage and in  
18 the same manner as prescribed by law for civil cases in courts  
19 of this State.

20 The Director shall have power to administer oaths to  
21 witnesses at any hearing which the Department is authorized by  
22 law to conduct, and any other oaths required or authorized in  
23 any Act administered by the Department.

24 This Section does not apply to feral cats.

25 (Source: P.A. 100-405, eff. 1-1-18.)

1 (510 ILCS 5/9) (from Ch. 8, par. 359)

2 Sec. 9. Any dog found running at large contrary to  
3 provisions of this Act may be apprehended and impounded. For  
4 this purpose, the Administrator shall utilize any existing or  
5 available animal control facility or licensed animal shelter.  
6 The dog's owner shall pay a \$25 public safety fine to be  
7 deposited into the county animal control fund or the county pet  
8 population control fund, ~~\$20 of which shall be deposited into~~  
9 ~~the Pet Population Control Fund and \$5 of which shall be~~  
10 ~~retained by the county or municipality.~~ Funds transferred to or  
11 retained by a municipality before the effective date of this  
12 amendatory Act of the 100th General Assembly under this  
13 paragraph shall continue to be transferred to and be retained  
14 by that municipality. A dog found running at large contrary to  
15 the provisions of this Act a second or subsequent time must be  
16 spayed or neutered within 30 days after being reclaimed unless  
17 already spayed or neutered; failure to comply shall result in  
18 impoundment.

19 A dog that is actively engaged in a legal hunting activity,  
20 including training, is not considered to be running at large if  
21 the dog is on land that is open to hunting or on land on which  
22 the person has obtained permission to hunt or to train a dog. A  
23 dog that is in a dog-friendly area or dog park is not  
24 considered to be running at large if the dog is monitored or  
25 supervised by a person.

26 (Source: P.A. 94-639, eff. 8-22-05; 95-550, eff. 6-1-08.)

1 (510 ILCS 5/10) (from Ch. 8, par. 360)

2 Sec. 10. Impoundment; redemption. When dogs or cats are  
3 apprehended and impounded, they must be scanned for the  
4 presence of a microchip and examined for other currently  
5 acceptable methods of identification, including, but not  
6 limited to, identification tags, tattoos, and rabies license  
7 tags. The examination for identification shall be done within  
8 24 hours after the intake of each dog or cat. The Administrator  
9 shall make every reasonable attempt to contact the owner as  
10 defined by Section 2.16, agent, or caretaker as soon as  
11 possible. The Administrator shall give notice of not less than  
12 7 business days to the owner, agent, or caretaker prior to  
13 disposal of the animal. Such notice shall be mailed to the last  
14 known address of the owner, agent, or caretaker. Testimony of  
15 the Administrator, or his or her authorized agent, who mails  
16 such notice shall be evidence of the receipt of such notice by  
17 the owner, agent, or caretaker of the animal. A mailed notice  
18 shall remain the primary means of owner, agent, or caretaker  
19 contact; however, the Administrator shall also attempt to  
20 contact the owner, agent, or caretaker by any other contact  
21 information, such as by telephone or email address, provided by  
22 the microchip or other method of identification found on the  
23 dog or cat. If the dog or cat has been microchipped and the  
24 primary contact listed by the chip manufacturer cannot be  
25 located or refuses to reclaim the dog or cat, an attempt shall

1 be made to contact any secondary contacts listed by the chip  
2 manufacturer prior to adoption, transfer, or euthanization.  
3 Prior to transferring the dog or cat to another humane shelter,  
4 pet store, rescue group, or euthanization, the dog or cat shall  
5 be scanned again for the presence of a microchip and examined  
6 for other means of identification. If a second scan provides  
7 the same identifying information as the initial intake scan and  
8 the owner, agent, or caretaker has not been located or refuses  
9 to reclaim the dog or cat, the animal control facility may  
10 proceed with the adoption, transfer, or euthanization.

11 In case the owner, agent, or caretaker of any impounded dog  
12 or cat desires to make redemption thereof, he or she may do so  
13 by doing the following:

14 a. Presenting proof of current rabies inoculation and  
15 registration, if applicable.

16 b. Paying for the rabies inoculation of the dog or cat  
17 and registration, if applicable.

18 c. Paying the pound for the board of the dog or cat for  
19 the period it was impounded.

20 d. Paying into the Animal Control Fund an additional  
21 impoundment fee as prescribed by the Board as a penalty for  
22 the first offense and for each subsequent offense.

23 e. Paying a \$25 public safety fine to be deposited into  
24 the county animal control fund or the county pet population  
25 control fund ~~Pet Population Control Fund~~; the fine shall be  
26 waived if it is the dog's or cat's first impoundment and

1 the owner, agent, or caretaker has the animal spayed or  
2 neutered within 14 days.

3 f. Paying for microchipping and registration if not  
4 already done.

5 The payments required for redemption under this Section  
6 shall be in addition to any other penalties invoked under this  
7 Act ~~and the Illinois Public Health and Safety Animal Population~~  
8 ~~Control Act. An animal control agency shall assist and share~~  
9 ~~information with the Director of Public Health in the~~  
10 ~~collection of public safety fines.~~

11 (Source: P.A. 100-322, eff. 8-24-17.)

12 (510 ILCS 5/13) (from Ch. 8, par. 363)

13 Sec. 13. Dog or other animal bites; observation of animal.

14 (a) Except as otherwise provided in subsections (b) and (c)  
15 of this Section, when the Administrator or, if the  
16 Administrator is not a veterinarian, the Deputy Administrator  
17 receives information that any person has been bitten by an  
18 animal, the Administrator or, if the Administrator is not a  
19 veterinarian, the Deputy Administrator, or his or her  
20 authorized representative, shall have such dog or other animal  
21 confined under the observation of a licensed veterinarian. The  
22 confinement shall be for a period of not less than 10 days from  
23 the date the bite occurred and shall continue until the animal  
24 has been examined and released from confinement by a licensed  
25 veterinarian. The Administrator or, if the Administrator is not

1 a veterinarian, the Deputy Administrator may permit such  
2 confinement to be reduced to a period of less than 10 days.

3 (a-5) The owner, or if the owner is unavailable, an agent  
4 or caretaker of an animal documented to have bitten a person  
5 shall present the animal to a licensed veterinarian within 24  
6 hours. A veterinarian presented with an animal documented to  
7 have bitten a person shall make a record of the clinical  
8 condition of the animal immediately. At the end of the  
9 confinement period, the animal shall be examined by a licensed  
10 veterinarian, inoculated against rabies, if eligible, and  
11 microchipped, if the dog or cat has not been already, at the  
12 expense of the owner. The veterinarian shall submit a written  
13 report listing the owner's name, address, dates of confinement,  
14 dates of examination, species, breed, description, age, sex,  
15 and microchip number of the animal to the Administrator  
16 advising him or her of the clinical condition and the final  
17 disposition of the animal on appropriate forms approved by the  
18 Department. The Administrator shall notify the person who has  
19 been bitten, and in the case of confirmed rabies in the animal,  
20 the attending physician or responsible health agency advising  
21 of the clinical condition of the animal.

22 (a-10) When the Administrator or, if the Administrator is  
23 not a veterinarian, the Deputy Administrator or his or her  
24 authorized representative receives information that a person  
25 has been bitten by an animal and evidence is presented that the  
26 animal at the time the bite occurred was inoculated against

1 rabies within the time prescribed by law, the animal may be  
2 confined in a house, or in a manner which will prohibit the  
3 animal from biting a person, if the Administrator, Deputy  
4 Administrator, or his or her authorized representative  
5 determines the confinement satisfactory. The confinement shall  
6 be for a period of not less than 10 days from the date the bite  
7 occurred and shall continue until the animal has been examined  
8 and released from confinement by a licensed veterinarian. The  
9 Administrator or, if the Administrator is not a veterinarian,  
10 the Deputy Administrator may instruct the owner, agent, or  
11 caretaker to have the animal examined by a licensed  
12 veterinarian immediately. The Administrator or, if the  
13 Administrator is not a veterinarian, the Deputy Administrator  
14 may permit the confinement to be reduced to a period of less  
15 than 10 days. At the end of the confinement period, the animal  
16 shall be examined by a licensed veterinarian and microchipped,  
17 if the dog or cat is not already, at the expense of the owner.  
18 The veterinarian shall submit a written report listing the  
19 owner's name, address, dates of examination, species, breed,  
20 description, age, sex, and microchip number of the animal to  
21 the Administrator advising him or her of the clinical condition  
22 and the final disposition of the animal on appropriate forms  
23 approved by the Department. The Administrator shall notify the  
24 person who has been bitten and, in case of confirmed rabies in  
25 the animal, the attending physician or responsible health  
26 agency advising of the clinical condition of the animal.

1 (a-15) Any person having knowledge that any person has been  
2 bitten by an animal shall notify the Administrator or, if the  
3 Administrator is not a veterinarian, the Deputy Administrator  
4 within 24 hours.

5 (a-20) It is unlawful for the owner of the animal to  
6 conceal the whereabouts, euthanize, sell, give away, or  
7 otherwise dispose of any animal known to have bitten a person,  
8 until it is examined and released from confinement by the  
9 Administrator or, if the Administrator is not a veterinarian,  
10 the Deputy Administrator, or licensed veterinarian. It is  
11 unlawful for the owner of the animal to refuse or fail to  
12 immediately comply with the instructions made by the  
13 Administrator or, if the Administrator is not a veterinarian,  
14 the Deputy Administrator, or his or her authorized  
15 representative. Any expense incurred in the handling of an  
16 animal under this Section and Section 12 shall be borne by the  
17 owner. The owner of a biting animal must also remit ~~to the~~  
18 ~~Department of Public Health, for deposit into the Pet~~  
19 ~~Population Control Fund,~~ a \$25 public safety fine to be  
20 deposited into the county animal control fund ~~within 30 days~~  
21 ~~after notice.~~

22 (b) When a person has been bitten by a police dog that is  
23 currently vaccinated against rabies, the police dog may  
24 continue to perform its duties for the peace officer or law  
25 enforcement agency and any period of observation of the police  
26 dog may be under the supervision of a peace officer. The

1 supervision shall consist of the dog being locked in a kennel,  
2 performing its official duties in a police vehicle, or  
3 remaining under the constant supervision of its police handler.

4 (c) When a person has been bitten by a search and rescue  
5 dog that is currently vaccinated against rabies, the search and  
6 rescue dog may continue to perform its duties for the handler  
7 or owner or agency and any period of observation of the dog may  
8 be under the supervision of its handler or owner. The  
9 supervision shall consist of the dog being locked in a kennel,  
10 performing its official duties in a vehicle, or remaining under  
11 the constant supervision of its handler or owner.

12 (d) Any person convicted of violating subsection (a-20) of  
13 this Section is guilty of a Class A misdemeanor for a first  
14 violation. A second or subsequent violation is a Class 4  
15 felony.

16 (Source: P.A. 99-658, eff. 7-28-16.)

17 (510 ILCS 5/15) (from Ch. 8, par. 365)

18 Sec. 15. (a) In order to have a dog deemed "vicious", the  
19 Administrator, Deputy Administrator, or law enforcement  
20 officer must give notice of the infraction that is the basis of  
21 the investigation to the owner, conduct a thorough  
22 investigation, interview any witnesses, including the owner,  
23 gather any existing medical records, veterinary medical  
24 records or behavioral evidence, and make a detailed report  
25 recommending a finding that the dog is a vicious dog and give

1 the report to the State's Attorney's Office and the owner. The  
2 Administrator, State's Attorney, Director or any citizen of the  
3 county in which the dog exists may file a complaint in the  
4 circuit court in the name of the People of the State of  
5 Illinois to deem a dog to be a vicious dog. Testimony of a  
6 certified applied behaviorist, a board certified veterinary  
7 behaviorist, or another recognized expert may be relevant to  
8 the court's determination of whether the dog's behavior was  
9 justified. The petitioner must prove the dog is a vicious dog  
10 by clear and convincing evidence. The Administrator shall  
11 determine where the animal shall be confined during the  
12 pendency of the case.

13 A dog may not be declared vicious if the court determines  
14 the conduct of the dog was justified because:

15 (1) the threat, injury, or death was sustained by a  
16 person who at the time was committing a crime or offense  
17 upon the owner or custodian of the dog, or was committing a  
18 willful trespass or other tort upon the premises or  
19 property owned or occupied by the owner of the animal;

20 (2) the injured, threatened, or killed person was  
21 abusing, assaulting, or physically threatening the dog or  
22 its offspring, or has in the past abused, assaulted, or  
23 physically threatened the dog or its offspring; or

24 (3) the dog was responding to pain or injury, or was  
25 protecting itself, its owner, custodian, or member of its  
26 household, kennel, or offspring.

1           No dog shall be deemed "vicious" if it is a professionally  
2 trained dog for law enforcement or guard duties. Vicious dogs  
3 shall not be classified in a manner that is specific as to  
4 breed.

5           If the burden of proof has been met, the court shall deem  
6 the dog to be a vicious dog.

7           If a dog is found to be a vicious dog, the owner shall pay a  
8 \$100 public safety fine to be deposited into the county animal  
9 control fund ~~Pet Population Control Fund~~, the dog shall be  
10 spayed or neutered within 10 days of the finding at the expense  
11 of its owner and microchipped, if not already, and the dog is  
12 subject to enclosure. If an owner fails to comply with these  
13 requirements, the animal control agency shall impound the dog  
14 and the owner shall pay a \$500 fine plus impoundment fees to  
15 the animal control agency impounding the dog. The judge has the  
16 discretion to order a vicious dog be euthanized. A dog found to  
17 be a vicious dog shall not be released to the owner until the  
18 Administrator, an Animal Control Warden, or the Director  
19 approves the enclosure. No owner or keeper of a vicious dog  
20 shall sell or give away the dog without approval from the  
21 Administrator or court. Whenever an owner of a vicious dog  
22 relocates, he or she shall notify both the Administrator of  
23 County Animal Control where he or she has relocated and the  
24 Administrator of County Animal Control where he or she formerly  
25 resided.

26           (b) It shall be unlawful for any person to keep or maintain

1 any dog which has been found to be a vicious dog unless the dog  
2 is kept in an enclosure. The only times that a vicious dog may  
3 be allowed out of the enclosure are (1) if it is necessary for  
4 the owner or keeper to obtain veterinary care for the dog, (2)  
5 in the case of an emergency or natural disaster where the dog's  
6 life is threatened, or (3) to comply with the order of a court  
7 of competent jurisdiction, provided that the dog is securely  
8 muzzled and restrained with a leash not exceeding 6 feet in  
9 length, and shall be under the direct control and supervision  
10 of the owner or keeper of the dog or muzzled in its residence.

11 Any dog which has been found to be a vicious dog and which  
12 is not confined to an enclosure shall be impounded by the  
13 Administrator, an Animal Control Warden, or the law enforcement  
14 authority having jurisdiction in such area.

15 If the owner of the dog has not appealed the impoundment  
16 order to the circuit court in the county in which the animal  
17 was impounded within 15 working days, the dog may be  
18 euthanized.

19 Upon filing a notice of appeal, the order of euthanasia  
20 shall be automatically stayed pending the outcome of the  
21 appeal. The owner shall bear the burden of timely notification  
22 to animal control in writing.

23 Guide dogs for the blind or hearing impaired, support dogs  
24 for persons with physical disabilities, accelerant detection  
25 dogs, and sentry, guard, or police-owned dogs are exempt from  
26 this Section; provided, an attack or injury to a person occurs

1 while the dog is performing duties as expected. To qualify for  
2 exemption under this Section, each such dog shall be currently  
3 inoculated against rabies in accordance with Section 8 of this  
4 Act. It shall be the duty of the owner of such exempted dog to  
5 notify the Administrator of changes of address. In the case of  
6 a sentry or guard dog, the owner shall keep the Administrator  
7 advised of the location where such dog will be stationed. The  
8 Administrator shall provide police and fire departments with a  
9 categorized list of such exempted dogs, and shall promptly  
10 notify such departments of any address changes reported to him.

11 (c) If the animal control agency has custody of the dog,  
12 the agency may file a petition with the court requesting that  
13 the owner be ordered to post security. The security must be in  
14 an amount sufficient to secure payment of all reasonable  
15 expenses expected to be incurred by the animal control agency  
16 or animal shelter in caring for and providing for the dog  
17 pending the determination. Reasonable expenses include, but  
18 are not limited to, estimated medical care and boarding of the  
19 animal for 30 days. If security has been posted in accordance  
20 with this Section, the animal control agency may draw from the  
21 security the actual costs incurred by the agency in caring for  
22 the dog.

23 (d) Upon receipt of a petition, the court must set a  
24 hearing on the petition, to be conducted within 5 business days  
25 after the petition is filed. The petitioner must serve a true  
26 copy of the petition upon the defendant.

1 (e) If the court orders the posting of security, the  
2 security must be posted with the clerk of the court within 5  
3 business days after the hearing. If the person ordered to post  
4 security does not do so, the dog is forfeited by operation of  
5 law and the animal control agency must dispose of the animal  
6 through adoption or humane euthanization.

7 (Source: P.A. 99-143, eff. 7-27-15; 99-642, eff. 7-28-16.)

8 (510 ILCS 5/15.1)

9 Sec. 15.1. Dangerous dog determination.

10 (a) After a thorough investigation including: sending,  
11 within 10 business days of the Administrator or Director  
12 becoming aware of the alleged infraction, notifications to the  
13 owner of the alleged infractions, the fact of the initiation of  
14 an investigation, and affording the owner an opportunity to  
15 meet with the Administrator or Director prior to the making of  
16 a determination; gathering of any medical or veterinary  
17 evidence; interviewing witnesses; and making a detailed  
18 written report, an animal control warden, deputy  
19 administrator, or law enforcement agent may ask the  
20 Administrator, or his or her designee, or the Director, to deem  
21 a dog to be "dangerous". No dog shall be deemed a "dangerous  
22 dog" unless shown to be a dangerous dog by a preponderance of  
23 evidence. The owner shall be sent immediate notification of the  
24 determination by registered or certified mail that includes a  
25 complete description of the appeal process.

1 (b) A dog shall not be declared dangerous if the  
2 Administrator, or his or her designee, or the Director  
3 determines the conduct of the dog was justified because:

4 (1) the threat was sustained by a person who at the  
5 time was committing a crime or offense upon the owner or  
6 custodian of the dog or was committing a willful trespass  
7 or other tort upon the premises or property occupied by the  
8 owner of the animal;

9 (2) the threatened person was abusing, assaulting, or  
10 physically threatening the dog or its offspring;

11 (3) the injured, threatened, or killed companion  
12 animal was attacking or threatening to attack the dog or  
13 its offspring; or

14 (4) the dog was responding to pain or injury or was  
15 protecting itself, its owner, custodian, or a member of its  
16 household, kennel, or offspring.

17 (c) Testimony of a certified applied behaviorist, a board  
18 certified veterinary behaviorist, or another recognized expert  
19 may be relevant to the determination of whether the dog's  
20 behavior was justified pursuant to the provisions of this  
21 Section.

22 (d) If deemed dangerous, the Administrator, or his or her  
23 designee, or the Director shall order (i) the dog's owner to  
24 pay a \$50 public safety fine to be deposited into the county  
25 animal control fund ~~Pet Population Control Fund~~, (ii) the dog  
26 to be spayed or neutered within 14 days at the owner's expense

1 and microchipped, if not already, and (iii) one or more of the  
2 following as deemed appropriate under the circumstances and  
3 necessary for the protection of the public:

4 (1) evaluation of the dog by a certified applied  
5 behaviorist, a board certified veterinary behaviorist, or  
6 another recognized expert in the field and completion of  
7 training or other treatment as deemed appropriate by the  
8 expert. The owner of the dog shall be responsible for all  
9 costs associated with evaluations and training ordered  
10 under this subsection; or

11 (2) direct supervision by an adult 18 years of age or  
12 older whenever the animal is on public premises.

13 (e) The Administrator may order a dangerous dog to be  
14 muzzled whenever it is on public premises in a manner that will  
15 prevent it from biting any person or animal, but that shall not  
16 injure the dog or interfere with its vision or respiration.

17 (f) Guide dogs for the blind or hearing impaired, support  
18 dogs for persons with a physical disability, and sentry, guard,  
19 or police-owned dogs are exempt from this Section; provided, an  
20 attack or injury to a person occurs while the dog is performing  
21 duties as expected. To qualify for exemption under this  
22 Section, each such dog shall be currently inoculated against  
23 rabies in accordance with Section 8 of this Act and performing  
24 duties as expected. It shall be the duty of the owner of the  
25 exempted dog to notify the Administrator of changes of address.  
26 In the case of a sentry or guard dog, the owner shall keep the

1 Administrator advised of the location where such dog will be  
2 stationed. The Administrator shall provide police and fire  
3 departments with a categorized list of the exempted dogs, and  
4 shall promptly notify the departments of any address changes  
5 reported to him or her.

6 (g) An animal control agency has the right to impound a  
7 dangerous dog if the owner fails to comply with the  
8 requirements of this Act.

9 (Source: P.A. 99-143, eff. 7-27-15.)

10 Section 10. The Illinois Public Health and Safety Animal  
11 Population Control Act is amended by changing Sections 10, 20,  
12 25, 30, and 45 as follows:

13 (510 ILCS 92/10)

14 Sec. 10. Definitions. As used in this Act:

15 "Director" means the Service Head for Shelter Medicine  
16 Program at the University of Illinois College of Veterinary  
17 Medicine ~~Director of Public Health.~~

18 "Department" means the University of Illinois College of  
19 Veterinary Medicine ~~Department of Public Health.~~

20 "Companion animal" means any domestic dog (canis lupus  
21 familiaris) or domestic cat (felis catus).

22 "Fund" means the Pet Population Control Fund established in  
23 this Act.

24 (Source: P.A. 94-639, eff. 8-22-05.)

1 (510 ILCS 92/20)

2 Sec. 20. Program established. The Department shall  
3 establish and implement an Illinois Public Health and Safety  
4 Animal Population Control Program ~~by December 31, 2005~~. The  
5 purpose of this program is to reduce the population of unwanted  
6 and stray dogs and cats in Illinois by encouraging the owners  
7 of dogs and cats to have them permanently sexually sterilized  
8 and vaccinated, thereby reducing potential threats to public  
9 health and safety. ~~The program shall begin collecting funds on  
10 January 1, 2006 and shall begin distributing funds for  
11 vaccinations or spaying and neutering operations on January 1,  
12 2007.~~ No dog or cat imported from another state is eligible to  
13 be sterilized or vaccinated under this program. ~~Beginning June  
14 30, 2007, the Director must make an annual written report  
15 relative to the progress of the program to the President of the  
16 Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the  
17 Governor.~~

18 (Source: P.A. 94-639, eff. 8-22-05.)

19 (510 ILCS 92/25)

20 Sec. 25. Eligibility to participate. A resident of the  
21 State who owns a dog or cat and who is eligible for the Food  
22 Stamp Program or the Social Security Disability Insurance  
23 Benefits Program shall be eligible to participate in the  
24 program at a reduced rate if the owner signs a consent form

1 certifying that he or she is the owner of the dog or cat or is  
2 authorized by the eligible owner to present the dog or cat for  
3 the procedure. An owner must submit proof of eligibility to the  
4 Department. ~~Upon approval, the Department shall furnish an~~  
5 ~~eligible owner with an eligibility voucher to be presented to a~~  
6 ~~participating veterinarian.~~ A resident of this State who is  
7 managing a feral cat colony and who humanely traps feral cats  
8 for spaying or neutering and return is eligible to participate  
9 in the program provided the trap, sterilize, and return program  
10 is recognized by the municipality or by the county, if it is  
11 located in an unincorporated area. The sterilization shall be  
12 performed by a University of Illinois College of Veterinary  
13 Medicine ~~voluntarily participating~~ veterinarian or supervised  
14 veterinary student ~~under the supervision of a veterinarian.~~ The  
15 co-payment for the cat or dog sterilization procedure and  
16 vaccinations shall be \$15.

17 (Source: P.A. 94-639, eff. 8-22-05.)

18 (510 ILCS 92/30)

19 Sec. 30. Veterinarian participation. Any University of  
20 Illinois College of Veterinary Medicine veterinarian or  
21 supervised veterinary student may participate in the program  
22 established under this Act. ~~A veterinarian shall file with the~~  
23 ~~Director an application, on which the veterinarian must supply,~~  
24 ~~in addition to any other information requested by the Director,~~  
25 ~~a fee schedule listing the fees charged for dog and cat~~

1 ~~sterilization, examination, and the presurgical immunizations~~  
2 ~~specified in this Act in the normal course of business. The dog~~  
3 ~~or cat sterilization fee may vary with the animal's weight,~~  
4 ~~sex, and species. The Director shall compile the fees and~~  
5 ~~establish reasonable reimbursement rates for the State.~~

6 ~~The Director shall reimburse, to the extent funds are~~  
7 ~~available, participating veterinarians for each dog or cat~~  
8 ~~sterilization procedure administered. To receive this~~  
9 ~~reimbursement, the veterinarian must submit a certificate~~  
10 ~~approved by the Department on a form approved by the Director~~  
11 ~~that must be signed by the veterinarian and the owner of the~~  
12 ~~dog or cat or the feral cat caretaker. At the same time, the~~  
13 ~~veterinarian must submit the eligibility voucher provided by~~  
14 ~~the Department to the eligible owner. The Director shall notify~~  
15 ~~all participating veterinarians if the program must be~~  
16 ~~suspended for any period due to a lack of revenue and shall~~  
17 ~~also notify all participating veterinarians when the program~~  
18 ~~will resume. Veterinarians who voluntarily participate in this~~  
19 ~~sterilization and vaccination program may decline to treat~~  
20 ~~feral cats if they choose.~~

21 ~~For all dogs and cats sterilized under this Act, the~~  
22 ~~Director shall also reimburse, to the extent funds are~~  
23 ~~available, participating veterinarians for (1) an examination~~  
24 ~~fee and the presurgical immunization of dogs against rabies and~~  
25 ~~other diseases pursuant to Department rules or (2) examination~~  
26 ~~fees and the presurgical immunizations of cats against rabies~~

1 ~~and other diseases pursuant to Department rules. Reimbursement~~  
2 ~~for the full cost of the covered presurgical immunizations~~  
3 ~~shall be made by the Director to the participating veterinarian~~  
4 ~~upon the written certification, signed by the veterinarian and~~  
5 ~~the owner of the companion animal or the feral cat caretaker,~~  
6 ~~that the immunization has been administered. There shall be no~~  
7 ~~additional charges to the owner of a dog or cat sterilized~~  
8 ~~under this Act or feral cat caretaker for examination fees or~~  
9 ~~the presurgical immunizations.~~

10 (Source: P.A. 94-639, eff. 8-22-05.)

11 (510 ILCS 92/45)

12 Sec. 45. Pet Population Control Fund. The Pet Population  
13 Control Fund is established as a special fund in the State  
14 treasury. The moneys generated ~~from the public safety fines~~  
15 ~~collected as provided in the Animal Control Act,~~ from Pet  
16 Friendly license plates under Section 3-653 of the Illinois  
17 Vehicle Code~~,~~ and from voluntary contributions must be kept in  
18 the Fund and shall be used only to sterilize and vaccinate dogs  
19 and cats in this State under ~~pursuant to~~ the program, to  
20 promote the sterilization program, to educate the public about  
21 the importance of spaying and neutering, and for reasonable  
22 administrative and personnel costs related to the Fund.

23 (Source: P.A. 99-933, eff. 1-27-17.)

24 (510 ILCS 92/15 rep.)

1           Section 15. The Illinois Public Health and Safety Animal  
2           Population Control Act is amended by repealing Section 15.

3           Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
4           becoming law.