



101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB4928

Introduced 2/18/2020, by Rep. David A. Welter

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

30 ILCS 105/5.930 new
510 ILCS 70/19 new

Amends the Humane Care for Animals Act and the State Finance Act. Provides that the Department of Agriculture shall create and maintain an animal abuse registry. Requires a person 18 years of age or older who resides in or is domiciled in this State and has been convicted of specified offenses involving animal cruelty or torture to register with the Department to be placed on the registry. Requires a person required to register to pay an annual fee of \$50 to the Department. Prohibits a person required to register from owning a companion animal or being employed at an animal shelter, pound, pet shop, zoo, or other business where companion animals are present. Creates the Animal Abuse Registry Fund as a special fund in the State Treasury. Provides that registration fees shall be deposited into the Fund to be used by the Department for establishing and maintaining the animal abuse registry. Effective immediately.

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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 State Finance Act is amended by adding
5 Section 5.930 as follows:

6 (30 ILCS 105/5.930 new)

7 Sec. 5.930. The Animal Abuse Registry Fund.

8 Section 10. The Humane Care for Animals Act is amended by
9 adding Section 19 as follows:

10 (510 ILCS 70/19 new)

11 Sec. 19. Animal abuse registry.

12 (a) The Department shall create and maintain the animal
13 abuse registry. Any person 18 years of age or older who resides
14 in or is domiciled in this State and has been convicted of a
15 violation of Sections 3.01, 3.02, or 3.03 of this Act shall
16 register with the Department within 30 calendar days after the
17 date of conviction to be placed on the animal abuse registry.

18 (b) Upon entering a conviction for a violation of Sections
19 3.01, 3.02, or 3.03 of this Act, the presiding judge shall
20 notify the convicted individual of that individual's
21 requirement to register under this Section. The clerk of the

1 court shall send notice of the conviction and the individual's
2 name, date of birth, address, and offense for which he or she
3 has been convicted to the Department.

4 (c) Any person required to register under this Section
5 shall provide to the Department his or her name, date of birth,
6 address, and the offense for which he or she has been
7 convicted.

8 (d) Any person required to register under this Section
9 shall register annually, and shall continue to register until
10 that person receives a court order ordering that the
11 registration cease. No court order removing the requirement for
12 registration shall be issued until the registrant first
13 demonstrates to the court that he or she has undergone
14 psychiatric or psychological testing, the result of which
15 indicates by clear and convincing evidence his or her capable
16 and sound mental capacity and ability to own and properly care
17 for an animal in a humane manner. Any person required to
18 register under this Section shall notify the Department of any
19 name or address change.

20 (e) Any person required to register under this Section
21 shall not own a companion animal or have employment at an
22 animal shelter, pound, pet shop, zoo, or other business
23 establishment where companion animals are present.

24 (f) The animal abuse registry database shall be publicly
25 accessible and indexed by name, date of birth, and address. The
26 registry shall include the offense for which the registrant has

1 been convicted.

2 (g) The Animal Abuse Registry Fund is created as a special
3 fund in the State treasury. Any person required to register
4 under this Section shall, in addition to any penalty authorized
5 by law, pay a mandatory annual fee of \$50 to the Department.
6 The annual fee shall be deposited into the Animal Abuse
7 Registry Fund to be used by the Department for establishing and
8 maintaining the animal abuse registry. The Department shall
9 establish procedures to document receipt and use of the funds.

10 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
11 becoming law.