

1 AN ACT concerning dogs.

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

4 Section 5. The Guide Dog Access Act is amended by  
5 changing Section 1 as follows:

6 (720 ILCS 630/1) (from Ch. 38, par. 65-1)

7 Sec. 1. When a blind, hearing impaired or physically  
8 handicapped person or a person who is subject to epilepsy or  
9 other seizure disorders is accompanied by a dog which serves  
10 as a guide, ~~or~~ leader, seizure-alert, or seizure-response dog  
11 for such person or when a trainer of a guide, ~~or~~ leader,  
12 seizure-alert, or seizure-response dog is accompanied by a  
13 guide, ~~or~~ leader, seizure-alert, or seizure-response dog or a  
14 dog that is being trained to be a guide, ~~or~~ leader,  
15 seizure-alert, or seizure-response dog, neither the person  
16 nor the dog shall be denied the right of entry and use of  
17 facilities of any public place of accommodation as defined in  
18 Section 5-101 of the "Illinois Human Rights Act", if such dog  
19 is wearing a harness and such person presents credentials for  
20 inspection issued by a school for training guide, leader,  
21 seizure-alert, or seizure-response dogs.

22 Any violation of this Act is a Class C misdemeanor.

23 (Source: P.A. 92-187, eff. 1-1-02.)

24 Section 10. The White Cane Law is amended by changing  
25 Section 3 as follows:

26 (775 ILCS 30/3) (from Ch. 23, par. 3363)

27 Sec. 3. The blind, the visually handicapped, the hearing  
28 impaired, persons who are subject to epilepsy or other  
29 seizure disorders, and the otherwise physically disabled have

1 the same right as the able-bodied to the full and free use of  
2 the streets, highways, sidewalks, walkways, public buildings,  
3 public facilities and other public places.

4 The blind, the visually handicapped, the hearing  
5 impaired, persons who are subject to epilepsy or other  
6 seizure disorders, and the otherwise physically disabled are  
7 entitled to full and equal accommodations, advantages,  
8 facilities and privileges of all common carriers, airplanes,  
9 motor vehicles, railroad trains, motor buses, street cars,  
10 boats or any other public conveyances or modes of  
11 transportation, hotels, lodging places, places of public  
12 accommodation, amusement or resort and other places to which  
13 the general public is invited, subject only to the conditions  
14 and limitations established by law and applicable alike to  
15 all persons.

16 Every totally or partially blind, hearing impaired,  
17 person who is subject to epilepsy or other seizure disorders,  
18 or otherwise physically disabled person or a trainer of  
19 support dogs, guide dogs, seizure-alert dogs,  
20 seizure-response dogs, or hearing dogs shall have the right  
21 to be accompanied by a support dog or guide dog especially  
22 trained for the purpose, or a dog that is being trained to be  
23 a support dog, guide dog, seizure-alert dog, seizure-response  
24 dog, or hearing dog, in any of the places listed in this  
25 Section without being required to pay an extra charge for the  
26 guide, support, seizure-alert, seizure-response, or hearing  
27 dog; provided that he shall be liable for any damage done to  
28 the premises or facilities by such dog.

29 (Source: P.A. 92-187, eff. 1-1-02.)