

1 AN ACT concerning criminal law.

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

4 Section 5. The Criminal Code of 1961 is amended by adding
5 Section 12-36 as follows:

6 (720 ILCS 5/12-36 new)

7 Sec. 12-36. Possession of certain dogs by felons
8 prohibited.

9 (a) It is unlawful for a person convicted of a forcible
10 felony, a felony violation of the Humane Care for Animals Act,
11 a felony violation of Article 24 of the Criminal Code of 1961,
12 a felony violation of the Illinois Controlled Substances Act,
13 or a felony violation of the Cannabis Control Act to knowingly
14 own, possess, have custody of, or reside in a residence with an
15 unspayed or unneutered dog or puppy older than 12 weeks of age.

16 (b) Any dog owned, possessed by, or in the custody of a
17 person convicted of a felony, as described in subsection (a),
18 must be microchipped for permanent identification.

19 (c) Sentence. A person who violates this Section is guilty
20 of a Class A misdemeanor.