

1 AN ACT concerning municipalities.

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

4 Section 5. The Illinois Municipal Code is amended by adding  
5 Section 11-20-14 as follows:

6 (65 ILCS 5/11-20-14 new)

7 Sec. 11-20-14. Companion dogs; restaurants.

8 Notwithstanding any other prohibition to the contrary, a  
9 municipality with a population of 1,000,000 or more may, by  
10 ordinance, authorize the presence of companion dogs in outdoor  
11 areas of restaurants where food is served, if the ordinance  
12 provides for adequate controls to ensure compliance with the  
13 Illinois Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, the Food Handling  
14 Regulation Enforcement Act, the Sanitary Food Preparation Act,  
15 and any other applicable statutes and ordinances. An ordinance  
16 enacted under this Section shall provide that: (i) no companion  
17 dog shall be present in the interior of any restaurant or in  
18 any area where food is prepared; and (ii) the restaurant shall  
19 have the right to refuse to serve the owner of a companion dog  
20 if the owner fails to exercise reasonable control over the  
21 companion dog or the companion dog is otherwise behaving in a  
22 manner that compromises or threatens to compromise the health  
23 or safety of any person present in the restaurant, including,

1 but not limited to, violations and potential violations of any  
2 applicable health code or other statute or ordinance. An  
3 ordinance enacted under this Section may also provide for a  
4 permitting process to authorize individual restaurants to  
5 permit dogs as provided in this Section and to charge  
6 applicants and authorized restaurants a reasonable permit fee  
7 as the ordinance may establish.

8 For the purposes of this Section, "companion dog" means a  
9 dog other than a service dog assisting a handicapped person.