

# HB5551



## 96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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HB5551

Introduced 2/9/2010, by Rep. Tom Cross

### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

510 ILCS 5/8

from Ch. 8, par. 358

Amends the Animal Control Act. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning rabies inoculations.

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A BILL FOR

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 Section 8 as follows:

6 (510 ILCS 5/8) (from Ch. 8, par. 358)

7 Sec. 8. Every owner of a dog 4 months or more of age shall  
8 have each dog inoculated against rabies by a licensed  
9 veterinarian. Every dog shall have a second rabies vaccination  
10 within one year of the ~~the~~ first. Terms of subsequent vaccine  
11 administration and duration of immunity must be in compliance  
12 with USDA licenses of vaccines used. Evidence of such rabies  
13 inoculation shall be entered on a certificate the form of which  
14 shall be approved by the Board and which shall contain the  
15 microchip number of the animal if it has one and which shall be  
16 signed by the licensed veterinarian administering the vaccine.  
17 Veterinarians who inoculate a dog shall procure from the County  
18 Animal Control in the county where their office is located  
19 serially numbered tags, one to be issued with each inoculation  
20 certificate. Only one dog shall be included on each  
21 certificate. The veterinarian immunizing or microchipping an  
22 animal shall provide the Administrator of the county in which  
23 the animal resides with a certificate of immunization and

1 microchip number. The Board shall cause a rabies inoculation  
2 tag to be issued, at a fee established by the Board for each  
3 dog inoculated against rabies.

4 Rabies vaccine for use on animals shall be sold or  
5 distributed only to and used only by licensed veterinarians.  
6 Such rabies vaccine shall be licensed by the United States  
7 Department of Agriculture.

8 If a licensed veterinarian determines in writing that a  
9 rabies inoculation would compromise an animal's health, then  
10 the animal shall be exempt from the rabies shot requirement,  
11 but the owner must still be responsible for the fees.

12 (Source: P.A. 93-548, eff. 8-19-03; 94-639, eff. 8-22-05.)