



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 5375

LCO No. 1672



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

Introduced by:
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AN ACT CONCERNING POLICE ANIMALS AND DOGS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That (1) section 53-247 of the general statutes be amended to (A)
- 2 increase the penalty for intentionally injuring a police animal or dog in
- 3 a volunteer canine search and rescue team, and (B) establish a penalty
- 4 for annoying, teasing, tormenting or harassing a police animal that is
- 5 confined in a motor vehicle; and (2) the general statutes be amended to
- 6 (A) allow emergency medical services personnel to provide emergency
- 7 treatment and transportation to an injured police animal under certain
- 8 circumstances, and (B) establish a grant program to provide canine
- 9 officers with body armor.

Statement of Purpose:

To protect police animals.