

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 940

Sponsor: SENATOR LANGERHOLC

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1 Amend Bill, page 1, line 2, by inserting after "OFFENSES)"
2 , 35 (Health and Safety), 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure)

3 Amend Bill, page 1, line 7, by inserting after "animals-;"
4 in emergency medical services system, providing for injured
5 police animals; in immunities generally, further providing
6 for emergency response provider and bystander good Samaritan
7 civil immunity;

8 Amend Bill, page 3, by inserting between lines 26 and 27

9 Section 4. Title 35 is amended by adding a section to read:
10 § 8158. Injured police animals.

11 (a) Transportation.--An emergency response provider may
12 transport a police animal injured in the line of duty to a
13 veterinary clinic, hospital emergency department or similar
14 facility if there is no individual requiring immediate medical
15 attention or transport at that time.

16 (b) Emergency medical care.--An emergency response provider
17 may provide emergency medical care to a police animal injured in
18 the line of duty while at the scene of the emergency or while
19 the police animal is being transported to a veterinary clinic,
20 hospital emergency department or similar facility.

21 (c) Definitions.--As used in this section, the following
22 words and phrases shall have the meanings given to them in this
23 subsection unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

24 "Police animal." As defined in 18 Pa.C.S. § 5531 (relating
25 to definitions).

26 Section 5. Section 8332(d) of Title 42 is amended and the
27 section is amended by adding subsections to read:

28 § 8332. Emergency response provider and bystander good
29 Samaritan civil immunity.

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31 (b.1) Injured police animals.--A person, including an
32 emergency response provider, whether trained to practice
33 medicine, who, in good faith, renders emergency care, treatment,
34 first aid or rescue to an injured police animal at the scene of
35 an emergency event or crime or who moves an injured police
36 animal receiving emergency care, treatment, first aid or rescue

1 to a hospital or other place of medical care shall not be liable
2 for any civil damages as a result of rendering aid, except in an
3 act or omission intentionally designed to harm or any grossly
4 negligent acts or omissions which result in harm to the police
5 animal receiving emergency care, treatment, first aid or rescue
6 or while being moved to a hospital or other place of medical
7 care.

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9 [(d) Definition.--For the purposes of this section, the term
10 "emergency response provider" includes Federal, State and local
11 emergency public safety, law enforcement, emergency response,
12 emergency medical services personnel, response teams, agencies
13 and authorities, excluding hospital emergency facilities and
14 related personnel.]

15 (e) Definitions.--As used in this section, the following
16 words and phrases shall have the meanings given to them in this
17 subsection unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

18 "Emergency response provider." The term includes Federal,
19 State and local emergency public safety, law enforcement,
20 emergency response, emergency medical services personnel,
21 response teams, agencies and authorities. The term does not
22 include hospital emergency facilities and related personnel.

23 "Police animals." As defined in 18 Pa.C.S. § 5531 (relating
24 to definitions).

25 Amend Bill, page 3, line 27, by striking out "4" and
26 inserting

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28 Amend Bill, page 4, line 15, by striking out "5" and
29 inserting

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