

SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 5215

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled
"The Michigan penal code,"
(MCL 750.1 to 750.568) by adding section 70a.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 SEC. 70A. (1) AN INDIVIDUAL OTHER THAN THE OWNER OR THE
2 AUTHORIZED AGENT OF THE OWNER OF A DOG, OR A LAW ENFORCEMENT
3 OFFICER, AN ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER, OR AN ANIMAL PROTECTION SHELTER
4 EMPLOYEE ACTING IN HIS OR HER OFFICIAL CAPACITY, SHALL NOT
5 WILLFULLY OR MALICIOUSLY REMOVE A COLLAR FROM THAT DOG WITH THE
6 INTENT TO REMOVE TRACEABLE EVIDENCE OF THE DOG'S OWNERSHIP.

7 (2) AN INDIVIDUAL WHO VIOLATES SUBSECTION (1) IS RESPONSIBLE
8 FOR A STATE CIVIL INFRACTION AND SHALL BE ORDERED TO PAY A CIVIL
9 FINE OF NOT LESS THAN \$1,000.00 AND NOT MORE THAN \$2,500.00.

10 (3) NOTHING IN THIS SECTION SHALL BE CONSTRUED TO AFFECT THE

1 CIVIL OR CRIMINAL LIABILITY OF AN INDIVIDUAL UNDER ANY OTHER
2 APPLICABLE LAW OF THIS STATE.

3 (4) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "AUTHORIZED AGENT" MEANS AN
4 INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS THE PERMISSION OF THE OWNER OF A DOG TO REMOVE
5 THAT DOG'S COLLAR.

6 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 30 days
7 after the date it is enacted into law.