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**STATE OF MICHIGAN  
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Introduced by Senators Bouchard, Cisky Gougeon and Hart

# **ENROLLED SENATE BILL No. 585**

AN ACT to amend Act No 328 of the Public Acts of 1931 entitled as amended An act to revise consolidate codify and add to the statutes relating to crimes to define crimes and prescribe the penalties therefor to provide for restitution under certain circumstances to provide for the competency of evidence at the trial of persons accused of crime to provide immunity from prosecution for certain witnesses appearing at such trials and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts inconsistent with or contravening any of the provisions of this act as amended being sections 750 1 to 750 568 of the Michigan Compiled Laws by adding section 50c

*The People of the State of Michigan enact*

Section 1 Act No 328 of the Public Acts of 1931 as amended being sections 750 1 to 750 568 of the Michigan Compiled Laws is amended by adding section 50c to read as follows

Sec 50c (1) As used in this section

(a) Dog handler means a peace officer who has successfully completed training in the handling of a police dog pursuant to a policy of the law enforcement agency that employs that peace officer

(b) Physical harm means any injury to a dog's or horse's physical condition

(c) Police dog' means a dog used by a law enforcement agency of this state or of a local unit of government of this state that is trained for law enforcement work and subject to the control of a dog handler

(d) Police horse means a horse used by a law enforcement agency of this state or of a local unit of government of this state for law enforcement work

(e) Serious physical harm means any injury to a dog's or horse's physical condition or welfare that is not necessarily permanent but that constitutes substantial body disfigurement or that seriously impairs the function of a body organ or limb

(2) A person shall not intentionally kill or cause serious physical harm to a police dog or police horse

(3) A person shall not intentionally cause physical harm to a police dog or police horse

(4) A person shall not intentionally harass or interfere with a police dog or police horse lawfully performing its duties

(5) A person who violates subsection (2) is guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for not more than 5 years or a fine of not more than \$2 500 00 or both

(6) Except as provided in subsection (7) a person who violates subsection (3) or (4) is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than 1 year or a fine of not more than \$500 00 or both

(7) A person who violates subsection (3) or (4) while committing a crime is guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for not more than 2 years or a fine of not more than \$1 000 00 or both

(8) This section does not prohibit an individual from being charged with convicted of or punished for any other violation of law committed by that individual while violating this section

Section 2 This amendatory act shall take effect April 1 1995

Secretary of the Senate

Co Clerk of the House of Representatives

Approved

Governor