

HOUSE BILL No. 4894

September 7, 2011, Introduced by Rep. O'Brien and referred to the Committee on Local, Intergovernmental, and Regional Affairs.

A bill to amend 1919 PA 339, entitled
"Dog law of 1919,"
by amending section 17 (MCL 287.277), as amended by 1998 PA 390.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 17. The county treasurer may, based on records of the
2 dogs actually licensed in each city or township of the county and
3 any report under section 16, identify and locate all unlicensed
4 dogs. If a dog is required to be licensed under this act but is
5 unlicensed, the dog is a public nuisance. The county treasurer
6 shall immediately list all unlicensed dogs identified by this
7 section and shall deliver copies of the list to the prosecuting
8 attorney of the county and to the director of the department of
9 agriculture. On receiving from the county treasurer the name of any
10 owner of an unlicensed dog, the prosecuting attorney shall at once

1 commence the necessary proceedings against the owner of the dog, as
2 required by this act. ~~The sheriff shall locate and kill, or cause~~
3 ~~to be killed, all such unlicensed dogs. Failure, refusal, or~~
4 ~~neglect on the part of a sheriff to carry out the provisions of~~
5 ~~this section constitutes nonfeasance in office.~~