

AN ACT concerning dogs.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,  
represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Guide Dog Access Act is amended by  
changing Section 1 as follows:

(720 ILCS 630/1) (from Ch. 38, par. 65-1)

Sec. 1. When a blind, hearing impaired or physically  
handicapped person or a person who is subject to epilepsy or  
other seizure disorders is accompanied by a dog which serves  
as a guide, ~~or leader, seizure-alert, or seizure-response dog~~  
for such person or when a trainer of a guide, ~~or leader,  
seizure-alert, or seizure-response~~ dog is accompanied by a  
guide, ~~or leader, seizure-alert, or seizure-response~~ dog or a  
dog that is being trained to be a guide, ~~or leader,  
seizure-alert, or seizure-response~~ dog, neither the person  
nor the dog shall be denied the right of entry and use of  
facilities of any public place of accommodation as defined in  
Section 5-101 of the "Illinois Human Rights Act", if such dog  
is wearing a harness and such person presents credentials for  
inspection issued by a school for training guide, leader,  
seizure-alert, or seizure-response dogs.

Any violation of this Act is a Class C misdemeanor.

(Source: P.A. 92-187, eff. 1-1-02.)

Section 10. The White Cane Law is amended by changing  
Section 3 as follows:

(775 ILCS 30/3) (from Ch. 23, par. 3363)

Sec. 3. The blind, the visually handicapped, the hearing  
impaired, persons who are subject to epilepsy or other  
seizure disorders, and the otherwise physically disabled have

the same right as the able-bodied to the full and free use of the streets, highways, sidewalks, walkways, public buildings, public facilities and other public places.

The blind, the visually handicapped, the hearing impaired, persons who are subject to epilepsy or other seizure disorders, and the otherwise physically disabled are entitled to full and equal accommodations, advantages, facilities and privileges of all common carriers, airplanes, motor vehicles, railroad trains, motor buses, street cars, boats or any other public conveyances or modes of transportation, hotels, lodging places, places of public accommodation, amusement or resort and other places to which the general public is invited, subject only to the conditions and limitations established by law and applicable alike to all persons.

Every totally or partially blind, hearing impaired, person who is subject to epilepsy or other seizure disorders, or otherwise physically disabled person or a trainer of support dogs, guide dogs, seizure-alert dogs, seizure-response dogs, or hearing dogs shall have the right to be accompanied by a support dog or guide dog especially trained for the purpose, or a dog that is being trained to be a support dog, guide dog, seizure-alert dog, seizure-response dog, or hearing dog, in any of the places listed in this Section without being required to pay an extra charge for the guide, support, seizure-alert, seizure-response, or hearing dog; provided that he shall be liable for any damage done to the premises or facilities by such dog.

(Source: P.A. 92-187, eff. 1-1-02.)