

# HB366 ENGROSSED



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A BILL

TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

Relating to police dogs; to authorize emergency medical services personnel to provide emergency medical care to injured police dogs and transport them to a veterinary clinic or veterinary hospital; and to provide immunity from liability arising from providing such medical care.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. (a) This act shall be known and may be cited as the Lakyn Canine Act.

(b) For the purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

(1) EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PERSONNEL. The same meaning as provided in Section 22-18-1, Code of Alabama 1975.

(2) POLICE DOG. Any dog with specialized training or in the process of specialized training which is used by and under the control of a federal, state, or local peace officer, Class One Railroad Officer or special agent, firefighter, or any member of the military in the performance of his or her duties.

(c) Emergency medical services personnel may transport a police dog injured in the line of duty to a veterinary



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29 clinic, veterinary hospital, or other similar facility if  
30 there is no individual that requires medical attention or  
31 transport at that time.

32 (d) (1) Notwithstanding Section 34-29-76, Code of  
33 Alabama 1975, or any other law to the contrary, emergency  
34 medical services personnel may provide emergency medical care  
35 to a police dog injured in the line of duty while at the scene  
36 of the injury or while the police dog is being transported  
37 pursuant to subsection (c).

38 (2) Emergency medical services personnel who act in  
39 good faith to provide emergency medical care to a police dog  
40 pursuant to subdivision (1) are immune from criminal or civil  
41 liability as it relates to any injury or harm caused to the  
42 injured police dog. Emergency medical services personnel are  
43 also immune from criminal or civil liability for refusing to  
44 treat or transport an injured police dog.

45 Section 2. This act shall become effective on October  
46 1, 2025.



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52 committee on Agriculture and  
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62 Nays 0  
63 Abstains 0

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Clerk