

**States with Laws or Codes to
Protect Police Service Dogs from Assault, Battery or Death**

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States with Laws or Codes:

There are forty-nine (49) states that have laws or codes to protect police service dogs from assault, battery or death. Here is a listing of those states in alphabetical order and their law:

STATES:

Alabama:

Code of Alabama Section 13A-11-15

Alaska:

Alaska Statute Sections 11.56.705, 11.56.710, 11.56.715, 11.81.900

Arizona:

Arizona Revised Statute Section 13-2910

Arkansas:

Arkansas Code Section 5-54-126

California:

California Penal Code Section 600

Colorado:

Colorado Revised Statute Sections 18-1.3-602, 18-9-202

Connecticut:

Connecticut General Statute Sections 53-247, 53a-3, 5-249

Delaware:

Delaware Code Title 11, Section 1250

Florida:

Florida Statute: 843.19

Georgia:

Official Code of Georgia Section 16-11-107

Hawaii:

Hawaii Revised Statute Section 711-1109.4, 711-1109.5

Idaho:

Idaho Code Section 18-7039

Illinois:

510 Illinois Compiled Statutes (ILCS) Sections 70/2.08, 70/4.03, 70/4.04

Indiana:

Indiana Code Sections 35-46-3-11, 35-46-3-11.3

Iowa:

Iowa Code Section 717B.9

Kansas:

Kansas Statute Section 21-4318

Kentucky:

Kentucky Penal Code, (Kentucky Revised Statute) KRS Sections 525.010, 525.200, 525.205, 525.210, 525.215, 525.220

Louisiana:

Louisiana Revised Statute Section 14:102.8

Maine:

Maine Revised Statute 17 Section 752-B

Maryland:

Maryland Criminal Law Code Section 10-606

Massachusetts:

Laws of Massachusetts Chapter 272 Section 77A

Michigan:

Michigan Penal Code Section 750.50c

Minnesota:

Minnesota Statute Section 609.596

Mississippi:

Mississippi Code Section 97-41-23

Missouri:

Missouri Revised Statute Sections 575.010, 575.350, 575.353

Montana:

Montana Code Sections 45-8-209, 46-1-202, 44-11-303

Nebraska:

Revised Statutes of Nebraska Section 28-1009

Nevada:

Nevada Revised Statute Sections 574.050, 574.105, 651.075

New Hampshire:

New Hampshire Revised Statute Section (RSA) 644:8-d

New Jersey:

New Jersey Statute Section 2C:29-3.1

New Mexico:

New Mexico Statute Section 30-18-13

New York:

New York Penal Section 195.06

North Carolina:

North Carolina General Statute Section 14-163.1

North Dakota:

North Dakota Century Code Section 12.1-17-09

Ohio:

Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Section 2921.321

Oklahoma:

Oklahoma Statute, 21 Sections 649.1, 649.2

Oregon:

Oregon Revised Statute Sections 167.337, 167.339

Pennsylvania:

Pennsylvania Consolidated Statute 18 (Pa.C.S.) Section 5511.2

Rhode Island:

General Laws of Rhode Island (R.I. Gen. Laws) Section 4-1-30

South Carolina:

South Carolina Code Sections 47-3-610, 47-3-620, 47-3-630

Tennessee:

Tennessee Code Sections 39-14-205, 39-14-202

Texas:

Texas Penal Code Sections 38.15, 38.151

Utah:

Utah Code Section 76-9-306

Vermont:

Vermont Statute 13 (V.S.A.) Sections 351, 352, 352a, 353

Virginia:

Virginia Code Section 18.2-144.1

Washington State:

Code of Washington (ARCW) Sections 9A.76.200, 4.24.410

West Virginia:

West Virginia Code Sections 19-20-24, 61-3E-6

Wisconsin:

Wisconsin Statute Sections 951.095, 951.18

Wyoming:

Wyoming Statute Section 6-5-211

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In addition, there is also the Federal Law Enforcement Animal Protection Act:
18 USC (United States Code) Section 1368

States with no Laws or Codes:

There are two (2) states that do **not** have laws or codes to protect police service dogs from assault, battery or death. These states typically provide protection only under animal cruelty laws.

Here is a listing of those states in alphabetical order and their animal cruelty law:

District of Columbia:

District of Columbia Code Section 22-1001

South Dakota:

South Dakota Statute Sections 40-1-20, 40-1-21

The complete text of all State and Federal law is available on my Canine Legal Update and Opinions Web Site at www.k9fleck.org.