

STATE OF NEW YORK

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2019-2020 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

March 19, 2019

Introduced by Sen. TEDISCO -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Codes

AN ACT to amend the penal law, in relation to elevating the severity of the felony offense of killing a police work dog or police work horse and establishing the class E felony offense of injuring a police work dog or police work horse

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. The closing paragraph of section 195.06-a of the penal law,
2 as added by chapter 162 of the laws of 2013, is amended to read as
3 follows:
4 Killing a police work dog or police work horse is a class [~~E~~] D felo-
5 ny.
6 § 2. The penal law is amended by adding a new section 195.06-b to read
7 as follows:
8 § 195.06-b Injuring a police work dog or police work horse.
9 A person is guilty of injuring a police work dog or police work horse
10 when such person intentionally causes serious physical injury to a
11 police work dog or police work horse while such dog or horse is in the
12 performance of its duties and under the supervision of a police officer.
13 For purposes of this section, "police work dog" or "police work horse,"
14 as the case may be, shall mean any dog or horse owned or harbored by any
15 state or municipal police department or any state or federal law
16 enforcement agency, which has been trained to aid law enforcement offi-
17 cers and is actually being used for police work purposes.
18 Injuring a police work dog or police work horse is a class E felony.
19 § 3. This act shall take effect the first of November next succeeding
20 the date on which it shall have become a law.

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [~~-~~] is old law to be omitted.

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