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IN SENATE

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

AN ACT to amend the general municipal law, in relation to implementing a dangerous dog owner alert system

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

1 Section 1. This act shall be known as "Templeton's Law".

2 § 2. Subdivision 6 of section 209-cc of the general municipal law is
3 renumbered subdivision 7 and a new subdivision 6 is added to read as
4 follows:

5 6. (a) The clerk of each city, town or village shall provide necessary
6 data to the clerk of the county where such city, town or village is
7 located and such county shall maintain a web page listing the block of
8 all residences where such dogs are kept within such municipality. Such
9 web page shall provide, for each block listed, a link to a mapping
10 service site that utilizes global positioning system technology to
11 provide street maps and satellite imagery of such blocks. The county
12 clerk shall post on such web page notifications of the block where the
13 owner resides with a conviction for an offense involving a dangerous
14 dog. Posting such notification on the web page shall not preclude a
15 city, town or village from using any other specific information such as
16 a resident's name, address, dog's name or any other additional means of
17 notifying local residents of such convictions.

18 (b) Upon the death of a dangerous dog, the owner of such dangerous dog
19 shall notify the clerk of the municipality in which the owner resides.
20 The clerk, in turn, shall forward such notification to the county clerk
21 of the county where such municipality is located.

22 (c) Upon a change of residence, the owner of a dangerous dog shall
23 notify the clerk in the municipality which the owner is moving from and
24 shall notify the clerk of the municipality in which the owner shall

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

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1 reside that the owner is the owner of a dangerous dog and shall provide
2 the owner's address. The clerks, in turn, shall forward such notifica-
3 tion to the county clerk of the county where such municipalities are
4 located.

5 § 3. This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after it shall
6 have become a law.