

SENATE BILL NO. 417

INTRODUCED BY GAGE

IN THE SENATE

FEBRUARY 13, 1989	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.
	FIRST READING.
FEBRUARY 17, 1989	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL DO PASS. REPORT ADOPTED.
FEBRUARY 18, 1989	PRINTING REPORT.
FEBRUARY 20, 1989	SECOND READING, DO PASS.
FEBRUARY 21, 1989	ENGROSSING REPORT.
	THIRD READING, PASSED. AYES, 50; NOES, 0.
	TRANSMITTED TO HOUSE.

IN THE HOUSE

FEBRUARY 21, 1989	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.
	FIRST READING.
MARCH 10, 1989	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL BE CONCURRED IN. REPORT ADOPTED.
MARCH 11, 1989	SECOND READING, CONCURRED IN.
MARCH 13, 1989	THIRD READING, CONCURRED IN. AYES, 83; NOES, 14.
	RETURNED TO SENATE.

MARCH 14, 1989

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RECEIVED FROM HOUSE.

SENT TO ENROLLING.

REPORTED CORRECTLY ENROLLED.

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2 INTRODUCED BY [Signature]
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16 police dog may be fined an amount not to exceed \$5,000 or be
17 imprisoned in the state prison for a term not to exceed 1
18 year, or both.
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20 apply:
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