

ANGUILLA

No. 2020

**DOGS (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2020**

An act to amend the Dogs Act, R.S.A. c. D36

[Gazette Dated: \_\_\_\_\_, 2020] [Commencement: Assent under section 57 of the Constitution]

ENACTED by the Legislature of Anguilla

**Interpretation**

1. In this Act, “principal Act” means the Dogs Act, R.S.A. c. D36.

**Amendment of section 14**

2. The principal Act is amended in section 14 —

(a) by inserting the phrase “commits an offence and” immediately after the word “he” where it occurs for the third time; and

(b) by inserting the phrase “for each dog he is not authorised to keep” immediately after “\$1000.”

**Amendment of section 16**

3. The principal Act is amended in section 16(2) by deleting “250” and substituting it with “\$750”.

**Amendment of section 18**

4. The principal Act is amended—

(1) in section 18(1) by inserting the phrase “or a police officer” immediately after the word “Officer” where it occurs.

(2) in section 18(4) by deleting “any land” and substituting it with “land other than private land”

**Citation**

**5.** This Act may be cited as the Dogs (Amendment) Act, 2020

Barbara Webster-Bourne  
*Speaker*

Passed by the House of Assembly this     day of     , 2020.

Lenox J. Proctor  
*Clerk of the House of Assembly*

**OBJECTS AND REASONS**  
**(The objects and reasons do not form part of the Bill)**

The objects and reasons of this Bill are to amend the Dogs Act to discourage dog owners from having their dogs at large, being a threat to public safety and the safety of other animals and property. The Bill clarifies that the fine in relation to unlicensed dogs is for each dog; increases the fine for having unleashed dogs in public and stray dogs; authorises a police officer to destroy any dog who is seen attacking a person or animal and restricts persons from laying chemicals for dogs on land other than their own

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