

Amendment 1 to Council Bill No. 39-2018

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(This amendment expands the requirements of the Bill to cover all times and all weather conditions, to require access to water, to add more specificity to the provisions that cover use of tethers, and to make a technical correction.)

1 On page 1,

- 2 • before line 7, insert “Sec. 17.305B. Tethers for dogs.”.
- 3 • in line 7, strike “*Sec. 17.305B*” and substitute “Sec. 17.305C”.
- 4 • in line 19, strike “**SHELTER AND TETHER**” and substitute “**OUTDOOR SHELTER AND**
5 **WATER**”.

6 On page 1, in line 26, after “OUTSIDE” insert “WITHOUT FREE ACCESS TO A RESIDENCE”.

7 On page 2:

- 8 • In line 1, strike “FOLLOW THE TETHERING REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION” and substitute “KEEP
9 THE DOG INDOORS IF THE TEMPERATURE IS BELOW 32 DEGREES FAHRENHEIT OR ABOVE 90
10 DEGREES FAHRENHEIT EXCEPT FOR THE ACTIVITY ALLOWED UNDER SECTION 17.305B(C)(2)(I)
11 OF THIS SUBTITLE. NOT SUBJECT A DOG TO PROLONGED EXPOSURE TO WEATHER THAT CAUSES OR
12 COULD CAUSE THE DEATH OF OR HARM TO THE DOG, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO
13 HYPOTHERMIA, HYPERTHERMIA, AND FROSTBITE OR A SIMILAR CONDITION”.
- 14 • strike line 2 and substitute “(C) ADEQUATE SHADE AND SHELTER.”.
- 15 • strike lines 3 and 4 in their entirety.
- 16 • In line 5, strike “(2)” and substitute “(1)”.
- 17 • in line 10, strike “ENTRYWAY” and substitute “ENTRANCE”.
- 18 • In line 11, strike “(3)” and substitute “(2)”.
- 19 • after line 13, insert:
20 “(C) (E) WATER REQUIREMENTS.”

1 THE OWNER SHALL ENSURE THAT THE DOG HAS ACCESS TO POTABLE LIQUID WATER
2 AT ALL TIMES AS NEEDED TO MAINTAIN PROPER HEALTH.”.

- 3 • In line 14, strike “(C)” and substitute “(D)”.
- 4 • In line 15, strike “WHILE TETHERED”.
- 5 • strike lines 17 through 30 in their entirety.
- 6 • after line 31, insert:

7 “SEC. 17.305B. TETHERS FOR DOGS.

8 (A) THIS SECTION APPLIES TO DOGS THAT ARE KEPT OUTSIDE WHEN:

9 (I) THE OWNER IS ABSENT; OR

10 (II) THE DOG IS UNATTENDED FOR 30 MINUTES OR LONGER.

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12 ~~(A)~~ (B) TETHERS.

13 FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, A TETHER MEANS A CHAIN, ROPE, LINE, OR SIMILAR
14 RESTRAINT THAT CONNECTS A DOG TO A SHELTER, TREE, FENCE, OR ANY OTHER
15 STATIONARY OBJECT.

16 ~~(B)~~ (C) GENERALLY PROHIBITED.

17 EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SUBSECTION, AN
18 OWNER MAY NOT KEEP A DOG ON A TETHER.

19 ~~(C)~~ (D) EXCEPTIONS.

20 (1) AN OWNER MAY KEEP A DOG ON A TETHER WHILE THE OWNER COMPLETES A
21 TEMPORARY TASK.

22 (2) AN OWNER MAY USE A TETHER WHILE SUPERVISING THE DOG AND:

23 (I) THE OWNER INTENDS TO ALLOW THE DOG TO ELIMINATE; OR

24 (II) THE OWNER IS EXERCISING THE DOG.”.

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26 • In line 32, strike “SEC. 17.305B” and substitute “SEC. 17.305C”.

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28 On page 4, in the box that contains “17.305A, 17.305B, AND 17.306”, strike the first comma and
29 substitute “AND” and strike “, AND 17.306”.