



## Legislation Text

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An Ordinance Amending Chapter 90.290(E) (Dogs and Cats) of the Village of Romeoville Code of Ordinances

WHEREAS, the Village of Romeoville has adopted certain ordinances now codified as and for Chapter 90 of the Village Code of Ordinances setting forth and establishing certain regulations regarding the ownership and control of dogs and cats within the Village limits, including the types of animals that can be kept in a dwelling established by said Chapter 90; and

WHEREAS, after Village staff review, it has been determined that it is in the best interest of the Village to amend certain sections of the aforesaid Chapter 90 of the Village Code of Ordinances.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE VILLAGE OF ROMEOVILLE, WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS; THAT:

SECTION 1: RECITALS. The foregoing recitals are hereby incorporated into this Ordinance as if fully set forth herein.

SECTION 2: All those heretofore Village Ordinances codified as and for the definition of the term “Enclosure” in Section 90.290(E) of the Village Code of Ordinances shall be hereby amended by deleting the same in its entirety and inserting the following, to serve as and for said Section 90.290(E):

(E) “Enclosure”, for purposes of this Chapter, shall mean either:

(1) a fence or structure of at least six (6) feet in height, and no more than fifteen (15) feet by eight (8) feet in area, forming or creating an enclosure suitable to prevent the entry of young children, and suitable to confine a vicious dog. Such enclosure must be securely enclosed, locked, and designed with secure sides, top and bottom. The structure must be designed to prevent the animal from escaping. If said fence or structure does not have a bottom which is secured to the sides, the sides must be embedded in the ground. Such enclosure must be within an area fenced by a stockade fence six (6) feet in height, and all gates within said fence must remain locked at all times or

(2) in any circumstances where applicable law or the provisions of a recorded instrument establishing a declaration of covenants or restrictions prevent the construction of an enclosure as set forth in Section 90.290(E)(1) above, a structure consisting of other means and methods of physical confinement of the dog contained therein, consisting of walls, fences, gates, bars and/or other physical restraints reasonably determined by the Village Police Department to be effective in preventing the escape of the animal confined therein from the premises on which the same shall be located