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## **Pennsylvania Law - Vicious / Dangerous Dog Statutes**

### **§ 459-504-A. Control of dangerous dogs**

It is unlawful for an owner or keeper of a dangerous dog to permit the dog to be outside the proper enclosure unless the dog is muzzled and restrained by a substantial chain or leash and under physical restraint of a responsible person. The muzzle shall be made in a manner that will not cause injury to the dog or interfere with its vision or respiration but shall prevent it from biting any person or animal or from destroying property with its teeth.

#### **CREDIT(S)**

1982, Dec. 7, P.L. 784, No. 225, art. V-A, § 504-A, added 1990, May 31, P.L. 213, No. 46, § 2, effective in 60 days. Amended 2008, Oct. 9, P.L. 1450, No. 119, § 15, effective in 60 days [Dec. 8, 2008].

3 P.S. § 459-504-A, PA ST 3 P.S. § 459-504-A

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