

5038-S

Sponsor(s): Senate Committee on Law & Justice (originally sponsored by Senators Barr and Nelson)

Brief Description: Regulating dangerous and potentially dangerous dogs.

SB 5038-S - DIGEST

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Directs the animal control authority to classify potentially dangerous dogs and dangerous dogs.

Provides for an administrative hearing procedure to hear and dispose of petitions to have a dog declared a potentially dangerous dog or dangerous dog.

Requires an owner or keeper of a dog found to be potentially dangerous or dangerous to comply with the provisions of RCW 16.08.080 through RCW 16.08.100.

Authorizes the seizure of dogs found to pose an immediate threat to public safety.

Provides that the state preempts the entire field of regulation of potentially dangerous or dangerous dogs.