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Sponsor(s): Senators Goings and Swecker

Brief Description: Providing for control of dangerous dogs.

**SB 5027 - DIGEST**

(SUBSTITUTED FOR - SEE 1ST SUB)

Provides that a city or county animal control authority that seeks to declare a dog within its jurisdiction to be dangerous must serve notice upon the dog owner in person or by regular and certified mail, return receipt requested.

Requires the notice to state: The statutory basis for the proposed action; the reasons the authority considers the animal dangerous; a statement that the dog is subject to registration and controls required by chapter 16.08 RCW, including a recitation of the controls; and an explanation of the owner's rights and of the proper procedure for appealing a decision finding the dog dangerous.