

HB 149 -- Canine Team Certification

Sponsor: Cooper

Beginning July 1, 2010, this bill requires all state, county, and municipal law enforcement agencies and officers to use only a canine team which has been certified by an association approved by the Department of Public Safety when a canine performs or assists in certain law enforcement specialities. The department must establish the standards and criteria for canine certification and recertification including, but not limited to, obedience, aggression, and narcotics and explosives detection.