

# House Bill 2986

Sponsored by Representative WITT

## SUMMARY

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Prohibits inbreeding of dogs by breeder. Makes first violation subject to maximum fine of \$360. Makes second or subsequent violation subject to maximum fine of \$720.

Requires breeder to keep records showing parentage and grandparentage of dogs and puppies. Makes violation subject to maximum fine of \$720.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to the inbreeding of dogs.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section:**

5 (a) **"Breeder" means:**

6 (A) **A person registered as a breeder of dogs with a kennel club, breed promotion organ-**  
7 **ization, breeder referral service or other entity organized for the purpose of providing cre-**  
8 **dentials, advertising or contact information for breeders of dogs; or**

9 (B) **A person that has, within 12 months prior to breeding a pair of dogs kept by the**  
10 **person, sold or advertised for sale more than two litters produced by dogs kept by the per-**  
11 **son.**

12 (b) **"Dog" means the species *Canis familiaris*.**

13 (c) **"Kept" means owned, possessed, controlled by or in the charge of.**

14 (2) **A breeder may not breed a dog with another that shares a common parent or**  
15 **grandparent with the dog.**

16 (3) **A breeder shall keep a record of all puppies produced by dogs kept by the breeder.**  
17 **The records shall include identifying information for the parents and grandparents of the**  
18 **puppies. This subsection does not require a breeder to maintain a record for stillborn**  
19 **puppies. If the breeder possesses or can obtain information identifying the parents or**  
20 **grandparents of dogs that the breeder uses for breeding, the breeder shall maintain a record**  
21 **identifying the parentage and grandparentage of the dogs used for breeding.**

22 (4) **A person that breeds a dog in violation of subsection (2) of this section:**

23 (a) **Commits a Class B violation for a first offense; and**

24 (b) **Commits a Class A violation for a second or subsequent offense.**

25 (5) **A person that fails to maintain records as required by subsection (3) of this section**  
26 **commits a Class A violation.**

27 **SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2009 Act applies to dogs bred on or after the effective date**  
28 **of this 2009 Act and to puppies born 60 or more days after the effective date of this 2009 Act.**

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