# Local Mandate Fiscal Impact Estimate
# Kentucky Legislative Research Commission
# 2016 Regular Session

## Part I: Measure Information

**Bill Request #:** **1329**

**Bill #:** SB 116

**Bill Subject/Title:** An Act rlating to canines.

**Sponsor:** Sen Paul Hornback

Unit of Government: **x** City **x** County **x** Urban-County Unified Local Government **x** Charter County **x** Consolidated Local **x**

Office(s) Impacted: all local governments and local government units

Requirement: **x** Mandatory ____ Optional

Effect on Powers & Duties: **x** Modifies Existing **x** Adds New **x** Eliminates Existing

## Part II: Purpose and Mechanics

SB 116 prohibits the identification of any breed of dog within any ordinance, and requires the elimination of any breed identification from any existing ordinance. The bill requires that all existing ordinances which identify a breed of dog are void and unenforceable.

## Part III: Fiscal Explanation, Bill Provisions, and Estimated Cost

**The fiscal impact of this bill is expected to be minimal**. There will be minimal costs associated with revising some existing ordinances. However, **it is possible there could be other costs.** There could be costs associated with litigation related to dog attacks by certain breeds no longer covered (controlled) by revised ordinances. There could conceivably be costs associated with insurance premiums or claims related to dog attacks similarly not covered by ordinances. There could be costs associated with the concept of "illegal taking" if all dog breeds were covered by ordinances, thus restricting the conditions of ownership for all breeds.

**Data Source(s):** Kentucky Association of Counties; Kentucky League of Cities; County Judge Executive Association

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