

CHAPTER 8

DOG FUND

TAXATION OF DOGS

Public Law 162, House Enrolled Act 1001, effective July 1, 2006 added IC 6-9-39 to create a County Option Dog Tax and various related provisions in IC 15-5. IC 15-5-9; IC 15-5-10 are repealed effective July 1, 2006, concerning townships collecting dog tax.

DOG FUND CLOSEOUT PROCEDURES

Public Law 162 provides non-code closeout provisions and provides in Section 51 (d) On or before August 1, 2006, the county auditor of each county shall distribute to the township trustees of the townships located in the county: (1) money distributed to the county under subsection (b); and (2) any money remaining in the county dog fund. An equal share of the money described in this subsection shall be distributed to each township trustee. (e) A township trustee who receives a distribution under subsection (d) shall use the distribution: (1) to pay claims filed under IC 15-5-9-9.1 (before its repeal by this act); (2) to pay fees and charges under IC 15-5-9-10 (before its repeal by this act); (3) to provide funding for the humane society designated by the county legislative body under IC 15-5-9-8(d) (before its repeal by this act) to receive a part of each dog tax payment; or (4) if the county legislative body did not designate a humane society under IC 15-5-9-8(d) (before its repeal by this act), to provide funding for the township general fund. (f) If any part of the money distributed to a township trustee under subsection (d) has not been not expended by July 1, 2007, for a purpose allowed under subsection (e), the township trustee shall distribute the remainder of the distribution received under subsection (d) to the county treasurer. If the county option dog tax under IC 6-9-39, as added by this act, is in effect in the county on July 1, 2007, the county treasurer shall deposit the money in the county option dog tax fund established under IC 6-9-39-6(a), as added by this act.