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RESOLUTION CONCERNING COLORADO'S "DOG PROTECTION ACT"

Whereas, There are multiple instances every year of dogs being shot by law enforcement officers; and,

Whereas, These shooting tragedies cause profound grief to the dogs' owners, trauma to families and neighbors witnessing the incidents, great physical suffering to the dogs, and undermine the confidence that communities have in their law enforcement to protect and serve in an appropriate and humane manner; and,

Whereas, Increasing such officers' knowledge of, and comfort with, interactions with dogs will better protect the local law enforcement officers in the course of performing their duties; and,

Whereas, The State of Colorado recognized the need for further training, and last year signed into law Colorado's Senate Bill 13-226, known as the Dog Protection Act; therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Kootenai County Republican Central Committee (KCRCC) urges our state legislators to examine Colorado's Senate Bill 13-226, known as the Dog Protection Act; and,

*Resolved*, That the KCRCC urges our state legislators to develop similar legislation.