

1 **SUB __ 2024 OA-10 [PROPOSED – MILES]**

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3 AMENDING CHAPTER 47 OF THE DANE COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES,
4 REGARDING, REGARDING ANIMAL LICENSE TAX

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6 The County Board of Supervisors of the County of Dane does ordain as follows:

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8 ARTICLE 1. Unless otherwise expressly stated herein, all references to section
9 and chapter numbers are to those of the Dane County Code of Ordinances.

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11 ARTICLE 2. Section 47.22 is amended to read as follows:

12 **47.22 ANNUAL DOG LICENSE TAX.** In addition to the statutory tax, there is
13 hereby ~~added~~ an additional dog license tax of \$~~1644~~.00 for a each—spayed or
14 neutered dog and \$20.00 for an unspayed or unneutered dog. The additional dog
15 license tax for unspayed or unneutered dogs shall increase to \$22.00, effective
16 on January 1, 2026, and then increase to \$24.00, effective on January 1, 2027,
17 and further increase to \$26.00, effective on January 1, 2028. license applied for.
18 ~~The purpose of the additional tax is to pay for the cost of housing and care of~~
19 ~~stray, abandoned or impounded animals pursuant to Wis. Stat. s. 173.15(1). The~~
20 owner of a dog that is a service animal as defined by Wis. Stat. s. 106.52(1)(fm),
21 is exempt from paying the dog license tax, and shall receive annually a free dog
22 license upon application.

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24 *[EXPLANATION: This amendment adopts a recent change in state statute that*
25 *exempts an owner of a dog that is considered a service animal under Wis. Stat.*
26 *s. 106.52(1)(fm) from paying the dog license tax, raises the minimum dog license*
27 *tax, and provides that unspayed or unneutered dogs are subject to a higher tax.*
28 *It further sets a schedule of increases to the additional dog license tax for*
29 *unaltered dogs.]*