Two Ways to Protect Your Rights ...

AKC PAC: Help Support Dog-Friendly Government Officials

The American Kennel Club has taken the lead in supporting legislation across the country that protects the rights

of responsible dog owners. The AKC Political Action Committee gives us an additional tool with which to interface with legislators. Through the PAC, we can demonstrate a unity of purpose that helps us advance a positive legislative agenda. The AKC PAC collects voluntary contributions from individuals and uses these donations to support candidates who defend dog owners' rights and can effectively influence legislation impacting animal owners.

Your donation will be pooled with contributions from AKC club members across the country to strengthen our

support for reasonable, enforceable laws that protect the health and welfare of purebred dogs and do not restrict

> the rights of breeders and owners who take their responsibilities seriously.

Contributions to this fund are not deductible on federal tax returns. Federal law requires us to use our best efforts to collect and report the name, mailing address, occupation and name of employer of individu-

als whose contributions exceed \$200 in a calendar year. The maximum annual contribution to the AKC PAC is \$5,000. All contributions are voluntary.



AKC Canine Legislation Support Fund: Support Responsible Dog Owner Rights

The American Kennel Club has been advocating for purebred dog owners since our founding in 1884 and the Government Relations department was founded in 1990 to enable the AKC to take an even more active role in protecting owners' and breeders' rights. The right to own and breed dogs

responsibly is seriously threatened by the introduction of repressive canine legislation at the state and local levels.

Combating negative canine legislation is a costly endeavor. In response to the many inquiries we have received about where clubs could send donations to support AKC's efforts, we have established a Canine Legislation Support Fund, an account devoted solely to government relations efforts. Any assistance you or your club chooses to provide will greatly enhance our efforts to defeat the onslaught of repressive legislative initiatives and ensure our rights, not only at the present time but for

generations to come.

Contributions can be made on-line or via check made payable to the American Kennel Club and the memo line on the check should indicate the funds are to be utilized for "Government Relations Costs". Contributions to this fund are not tax deductible.

For more information and to contribute online, visit www.akc.org/canine_legislation and click on the "Two Ways to Protect Your Rights" link.

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