

**Senate Bill No. 828**

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Passed the Senate August 30, 2007

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*Secretary of the Senate*

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Passed the Assembly August 27, 2007

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*Chief Clerk of the Assembly*

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This bill was received by the Governor this \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 2007, at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_M.

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*Private Secretary of the Governor*

## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

An act to add Section 13159.85 to the Health and Safety Code, relating to firefighters.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 828, Padilla. Firefighters: accelerant detecting canines.

Existing law requires peace officer and civilian drug detection canine trainers working under the direction of a law enforcement agency to follow specified protocols of behavior.

This bill would require the State Fire Marshal, in conjunction with recognized statewide fire investigation entities, to update and amend standards and procedures for accelerant detecting canines and their handlers, as specified. The bill would require these standards and procedures to be updated and amended on or before January 1, 2009, and to consider information from and publications by recognized statewide fire investigation entities, as specified.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. Section 13159.85 is added to the Health and Safety Code, to read:

13159.85. The State Fire Marshal, in conjunction with recognized statewide fire investigation entities, including, but not limited to, the California State Firefighters' Association, shall update and amend standards and procedures for accelerant detecting canines and their handlers. The standards and procedures shall be updated and amended on or before January 1, 2009, and shall include, but are not limited to, department and handler selection and evaluation, canine selection, fire scene practices, blind odor recognition testing, field searches, searching people, and statutes and regulations relating to the use of accelerant detecting canines. The State Fire Marshal, in updating and amending the standards and procedures, shall consider information from and publications by recognized statewide fire investigation entities, including, but not limited to, the California State Firefighters' Association.



Approved \_\_\_\_\_, 2007

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*Governor*