<u>JANUARY 18, 2022</u>

Helping Our Local Veterans

By State rep. Joe Emrick

BANGOR - Local veterans and their family members are encouraged to take advantage of our veteran service hours with American Legion Representative Bill McGovern at my Nazareth District Office located at 134 South Main St., Nazareth, PA 18064.

Services to veterans and their dependents include assistance with compensation, pension and death benefits, education and health care, plus other benefits. Veterans do not need a membership with the American Legion to receive these free services.



L-R State Rep. Joe Emrick, American Legion Representative Bill McGovern

CARING

FOR DOGS

IN WINTER

Those wishing to make an ap-

pointment can call my Nazareth District Office at 610-746-5090.

Caring for Dogs in Winter: The Law Winter Dog Care

By Senator Scavello PEN ARGYL - Now that cold weather is upon us, I'd like to remind you of the 2017 law designed to prevent animal cruelty in harsh conditions, particularly involving dogs.

Under Act 10 of 2017, an unattended dog may be tethered for no more than nine hours in a 24-hour period and must meet the following criteria:

The dog may not be tethered for longer than 30 minutes in temperatures below 32 degrees or above 90 degrees Fahrenheit.

The tether must be of a type commonly used for the size and breed of dog and at

least three times the length of the dog or 10 feet, whichever is longer.

The tether must be secured to a well-fitted collar or harness by means of a swivel anchor, swivel latch or other mechanism designed to prevent the dog from becoming entangled.

The tethered dog must have access to water and an area of shade to escape the direct rays of the

Penalties range from up to 90 days in jail and/or a \$300 fine for neglect to seven years in jail and/or a \$15,000 for aggravated cruelty. You can read more about Pennsylvania's animal cruelty laws here.



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