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January 5th, 2016 (WAUSEON, OH) On December 30th, 2015, the Fulton County Dog Warden received a request for assistance from the Fulton County Health Department to house a dog for a rabies quarantine as a result of a dog bite pursuant to section [955.261](#) of the Ohio Revised Code. The Fulton County Dog Warden qualifies as an authorized agent to house the dog for quarantine under this code.

“(A) (1) No person shall remove a dog that has bitten any person from the county in which the bite occurred until a quarantine period as specified in division (B) of this section has been completed. No person shall transfer a dog that has bitten any person until a quarantine period as specified in division (B) of this section has been completed, except that a person may transfer the dog **to the county dog warden or to any other animal control authority.”**

The quarantine comes as a result of a dog bite report received by the Fulton County Health Department on December 28th, 2015. The code requires a minimum 10 day quarantine period after an animal is involved in a bite and that the animal must stay in the county in which the bite occurred.

The Fulton County Dog Warden will continue to care and feed the dog, until the 10 day quarantine period expires. Upon expiration of the quarantine, the dog’s owners will be responsible for the dog.

“The quarantine is not a decision of the Fulton County Board of Commissioners or the Fulton County Dog Warden. It is protocol followed by the assigned agency of the Fulton County Health Department as required by the Ohio Revised Code and Ohio Administrative Code,” states Toni Schindler, Director for Marketing and Communications for the Fulton County Commissioners.

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