
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ANIMALS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. Section 711-1109, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 "**§711-1109 Cruelty to animals.** (1) A person commits the
4 offense of cruelty to animals if the person intentionally,
5 knowingly, or recklessly:

6 (a) Overdrives, overloads, tortures, torments, cruelly
7 beats or starves any animal, or causes or procures the
8 overdriving, overloading, torture, torment, cruel
9 beating or starving of any animal, or deprives a pet
10 animal of necessary sustenance or causes such
11 deprivation;

12 (b) Mutilates, poisons, or kills without need any animal
13 other than insects, vermin, or other pests;

14 (c) Uses, sets, places, maintains, or tends any body-
15 gripping traps, including:

16 (i) Conibear traps;

17 (ii) Padded jaw leghold traps;

18 (iii) Snares; or



1 (iv) Steel-jawed leghold traps;

2 provided that federal, state, or county departments
3 shall be exempt from this paragraph when these items
4 are used in the line of duty to protect human health
5 and safety;

6 [~~e~~] (d) Keeps, uses, or in any way is connected with or
7 interested in the management of, or receives money for
8 the admission of any person to, any place kept or used
9 for the purpose of fighting or baiting any bull, bear,
10 dog, cock, or other animal, and every person who
11 encourages, aids, or assists therein, or who permits
12 or suffers any place to be so kept or used;

13 [~~d~~] (e) Carries or causes to be carried, in or upon any
14 vehicle or other conveyance, any animal in a cruel or
15 inhumane manner; or

16 [~~e~~] (f) Assists another in the commission of any act of
17 cruelty to any animal.

18 (2) Subsection (1)(a), (b), [~~e~~], (e), (f), and the
19 following subsection (3) are not applicable to accepted
20 veterinary practices and to activities carried on for scientific
21 research governed by standards of accepted educational or
22 medicinal practices.



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1 (3) Whenever any domestic animal is so severely injured
2 that there is no reasonable probability that its life or
3 usefulness can be saved, the animal may be immediately
4 destroyed.

5 (4) Cruelty to animals is a misdemeanor."

6 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
7 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

8 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.
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Report Title:

Hunting Snares; Cruelty to Animals

Description:

Prohibits the use of snares in hunting.

