



GOV. MSG. NO. 753

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS
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LINDA LINGLE
GOVERNOR

May 27, 2008

The Honorable Colleen Hanabusa, President
and Members of the Senate
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Madam President and Members of the Senate:

This is to inform you that on May 27, 2008, the following bill was signed into law:

SB2895 SD1 HD1 CD1

A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO OFFENSES
AGAINST PUBLIC ORDER.
(ACT 111)

Sincerely,

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LINDA LINGLE

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO OFFENSES AGAINST PUBLIC ORDER.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 711-1100, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new definition to be appropriately inserted
3 and to read as follows:

4 "Equine animal" means an animal of or belonging to the
5 family Equidae, including horses, ponies, mules, donkeys, asses,
6 burros, and zebras."

7 SECTION 2. Section 711-1108.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
8 amended to read as follows:

9 "~~§~~711-1108.5~~§~~ **Cruelty to animals in the first degree.**

10 (1) A person commits the offense of cruelty to animals in the
11 first degree if the person intentionally or knowingly tortures,
12 mutilates, or poisons or causes the torture, mutilation, or
13 poisoning of any pet animal or equine animal resulting in
14 serious bodily injury or death of the pet animal~~[-]~~ or equine
15 animal.

16 (2) Subsection (1) shall not apply to:

17 (a) Accepted veterinary practices;



1 (b) Activities carried on for scientific research governed
2 by standards of accepted educational or medicinal
3 practices; or

4 (c) Cropping or docking as customarily practiced.

5 (3) Whenever any pet animal or equine animal is so severely
6 injured that there is no reasonable probability that its life
7 can be saved, the [~~pet~~] animal may be immediately destroyed
8 without creating any offense under this section.

9 (4) Cruelty to animals in the first degree is a class C
10 felony."

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