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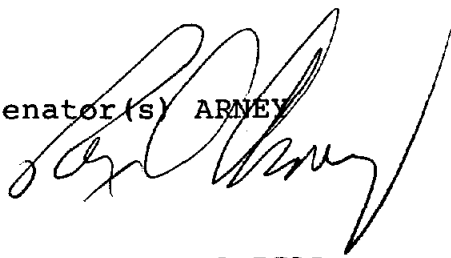
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Cruelty to animals - enforcement.

Sponsored by:

Senator(s) ARNEY



A BILL

for

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4 arrest persons committing cruelty to animals; providing
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7 owner is liable for the expenses of care; providing for a
8 lien for the expenses of providing care to the animal and
9 providing procedures to enforce the lien; and providing
10 for an effective date.

11 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

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NO SIGNIFICANT FISCAL IMPACT

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1 Section 1. W.S. 6-3-203 by creating new subsections
2 (f) and (g) is amended to read:

3 6-3-203. Cruelty to animals; penalties; limitation
4 on manner of destruction; persons authorized to enforce
5 section; care of animals; civil action for expenses; lien.

6 (f) IN ADDITION TO PEACE OFFICERS AUTHORIZED BY LAW
7 TO ENFORCE THIS SECTION, EVERY OFFICER AND AGENT OF THE
8 WYOMING LIVESTOCK BOARD IS AUTHORIZED AND EMPOWERED TO
9 ARREST WITHOUT WARRANT ANY PERSON FOUND VIOLATING THIS
10 SECTION. AN OFFICER OR AGENT OF THE WYOMING LIVESTOCK
11 BOARD MAKING AN ARREST UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL DELIVER
12 THE ARRESTED PERSON TO A PEACE OFFICER WITHOUT UNNECESSARY
13 DELAY.

14 (g) ANY PEACE OFFICER OR ANY OFFICER OR AGENT OF THE
15 WYOMING LIVESTOCK BOARD MAY TAKE POSSESSION OF ANY ANIMAL
16 WHICH HE HAS REASONABLE CAUSE TO BELIEVE HAS BEEN ABAN-
17 DONED, NEGLECTED OR CRUELLY TREATED AND MAY CARE AND PRO-
18 VIDE FOR THE ANIMAL UNTIL THE OWNER TAKES CHARGE OF THE
19 ANIMAL. THE REASONABLE EXPENSES OF THE CARE GIVEN AN ANI-
20 MAL UNDER THIS SUBSECTION MAY BE RECOVERED FROM THE OWNER
21 IN A CIVIL ACTION AND SHALL CONSTITUTE A LIEN AGAINST THE
22 ANIMAL UNTIL PAID. A LIEN CREATED BY THIS SUBSECTION

1 SHALL BE ENFORCED IN THE SAME MANNER AS PROVIDED BY W.S.
2 11-29-109 AND 11-29-110.

3 Section 2. This act is effective May 23, 1985.

4 (END)

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Page 2-line 7 Delete "AND AGENT".

Page 2-line 10 Delete "OR AGENT".

Page 2-line 14 Delete "OR AGENT". -ZIMMER