

An Act relating to crimes and punishments; requiring report of animal or livestock abuse to local law enforcement agency or State Department of Agriculture within certain time; requiring certain information in report; providing immunity from civil liability; providing purpose for removal or care of animals, herptile, or fowl; authorizing certain officers to determine custody specifications and custody orders; providing guidelines for custody hearings; amending 21 O.S. 2001, Sections 1685, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 363, O.S.L. 2003 and 1686 (21 O.S. Supp. 2004, Section 1685), which relate to cruelty to animals and abandoned animals; establishing bond procedures for custody and care of abused and abandoned animals; authorizing certain entities to petition for bond hearing; establishing bond hearing requirements; providing for immediate forfeiture under certain circumstance; providing exception upon posting of security bond; clarifying term; requiring placement of bond with certain entity; requiring accounting of expenses; providing for subsequent bond hearings; allowing forfeiture of animal under certain circumstance; providing for the return of unused funds; declaring certain funds to be nonrefundable; providing for euthanasia; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.