

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 58th Legislature (2022)

SENATE BILL 1111

By: Howard

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to crime and punishment; amending 21 O.S. 2021, Section 717, which relates to the owner of a mischievous animal which kills person; modifying penalty; providing definitions; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2021, Section 717, is amended to read as follows:

Section 717. A. If the owner of a mischievous animal, knowing its propensities, willfully suffers it to go at large, or keeps it without ordinary care, and such animal, while so at large or not confined, kills any human being who has taken all the precautions which the circumstances permitted, to avoid such animal, the owner is deemed guilty of ~~manslaughter in the second degree~~ a felony punishable by imprisonment in the custody of the Department of Corrections for a term not less than four (4) years.

B. As used in this section:

1       1. "Mischievous animal" shall mean any animal when unprovoked,  
2 in an aggressive manner, inflicts great bodily injury on or kills a  
3 human being; and

4       2. "Great bodily injury" means bone fracture, protracted and  
5 obvious disfigurement, protracted loss or impairment of the function  
6 of a body part, organ or mental faculty, or substantial risk of  
7 death.

8       SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2022.

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