

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 60th Legislature (2026)

SENATE BILL 1414

By: Hines

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to crimes and punishments; amending 21 O.S. 2021, Section 1685, as amended by Section 165, Chapter 486, O.S.L. 2025 (21 O.S. Supp. 2025, Section 1685), which relates to animal cruelty; updating statutory language; requiring the Department of Corrections to create certain database; authorizing promulgation of rules; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2021, Section 1685, as amended by Section 165, Chapter 486, O.S.L. 2025 (21 O.S. Supp. 2025, Section 1685), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1685. A. Any person who shall willfully or maliciously torture, destroy or kill, or cruelly beat or injure, maim or mutilate any animal in subjugation or captivity, whether wild or tame, and whether belonging to the person or to another, or deprive any such animal of necessary food, drink, shelter, or veterinary care to prevent suffering; or who shall cause, procure or permit any such animal to be so tortured, destroyed or killed, or cruelly beaten or injured, maimed or mutilated, or deprived of necessary

1 food, drink, shelter, or veterinary care to prevent suffering; or
2 who shall willfully set on foot, instigate, engage in, or in any way
3 further any act of cruelty to any animal, or any act tending to
4 produce such cruelty, shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a Class
5 B5 felony offense ~~and shall be punished~~ punishable by imprisonment
6 in the ~~State Penitentiary not exceeding~~ custody of the Department of
7 Corrections for not more than five (5) years, or by imprisonment in
8 the county jail for not ~~exceeding~~ more than one (1) year, or by a
9 fine not ~~exceeding~~ more than Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00). Any
10 animal so maltreated or abused shall be considered an abused or
11 neglected animal.

12 B. The Department of Corrections shall create a searchable
13 database on its website of the names of individuals who have been
14 convicted of, or who have entered a plea of guilty or nolo
15 contendere to, a violation of this section. The Department shall
16 promulgate rules to effectuate the provisions of this subsection.

17 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2026.

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