
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1112 Session of
2023

INTRODUCED BY SHUSTERMAN, SIEGEL, SANCHEZ, HOHENSTEIN, HOWARD
AND GREEN, MAY 5, 2023

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, MAY 5, 2023

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, in riot, disorderly conduct and
3 related offenses, further providing for the offense of
4 cruelty to animal.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. Section 5533(a) of Title 18 of the Pennsylvania
8 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

9 § 5533. Cruelty to animal.

10 (a) Offense defined.--A person commits an offense if the
11 person intentionally, knowingly or recklessly [~~illtreats,~~]:

12 (1) Illtreats, overloads, beats, abandons or abuses an
13 animal.

14 (2) Utilizes an animal to draw, push or pull a carriage
15 in the course of business or for monetary gain within the
16 limits of a municipality located in this Commonwealth with a
17 population of 100,000 or greater based on the most recent
18 Federal decennial census.

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1 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.