

1 IN THE HOUSE

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2 HOUSE BILL NO. 25

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE TERRITORY OF ALASKA

4 TWENTY-FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act prohibiting cruelty to animals;
7 defining offenses; and prescribing
8 penalties; repealing Section 65-9-34
9 ACLA 1949."

10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE TERRITORY OF ALASKA

11 Section 1. CRUELTY IN GENERAL. Any person who shall
12 overwork, torment, unnecessarily or cruelly beat or otherwise
13 abuse or kill, a domestic animal or creature, or cause or pro-
14 cure any of such acts to be done, or abandon where there is
15 not a caretaker to assume the responsibility of proper food and
16 water, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction
17 thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$100.00
18 or by imprisonment in the Federal jail of not more than 30
19 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment. *nothing in this Act*

20 Section 2. ABANDONING DISABLED ANIMALS TO DIE: MISDE-
21 MEANOR: Any person who shall abandon a maimed, sick, infirm,
22 or disabled domestic animal or creature to die shall be guilty
23 of a misdemeanor and punished as provided in Section 1.

24 Section 3. USE OF LIVE BIRDS AS TARGETS: MISDEMEANOR:
25 Any person who shall (a) use a live pigeon, fowl or other bird
26 for the purpose of a target, or to be shot at either for
27 amusement or as a test of skill in marksmanship (b) shoot at a
28 bird used as aforesaid, or is a party to such a shooting; or
29 (c) lease a building, room, field or premises, or knowingly

Should be amended to prohibit or impede the lawful ownership of stray dogs, cats or other animals and the lawful destruction of such animals.

1 permit the use thereof for the purpose of such shooting, shall
2 be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be
3 punished by a fine of not more than \$50.00. This section shall
4 not apply to shooting of game for food.

5 Section 4. FIGHTING OR BAITING ANIMALS OR CREATURES AND
6 RELATED OFFENSES: MISDEMEANOR. Any person who shall: (a) keep,
7 use, be connected with or interested in the management of, or
8 receive money, for the admission of a person to, a place kept
9 or used for the purpose of fighting or baiting a live animal or
10 creature; (b) be present and witness, encourage or assist there-
11 in, or, (c) permit or suffer a place owned or controlled by him
12 to be so used shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon con-
13 viction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not more than
14 \$500.00 or by imprisonment in the Federal jail for not more
15 than six months or by both such fine and imprisonment.

16 Section 5. PET SHOPS. Any person who is maintaining a
17 commercial kennel or pet shop in an unsanitary or inhumane
18 manner shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction
19 thereof shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$50.00

20 Section 6. No person shall dye, color or otherwise treat
21 living baby chicks, ducklings, or other fowl, or domestic
22 animal nor sell, offer to sell, barter or display such animals
23 or fowl. Any person violating the provisions of this section
24 shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction
25 thereof shall be fined not more than \$50.00 for each offense.

26 Passed by the House, 7/21, 1953

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Speaker of the House

Section 7 "The above provisions may not in any way be
construed as interfering with the humane and scientific
use of animals for experimental purposes."

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ATTEST:

Chief Clerk of the House

Passed by the Senate, _____, 1953

President of the Senate

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Secretary of the Senate

Approved by the Governor, _____, 1953

Governor of Alaska