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Act No. 112 (H.566). Crimes and criminal procedure; animal cruelty An act relating to animal cruelty

This act makes various updates to the animal cruelty statute, including changing the word "beats" to "harms," to broaden the scope of prohibited behavior beyond striking an animal multiple times.

Effective on May 1, 2018.