
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO VETERINARY MEDICINE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. Section 471-15, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 "~~+~~**\$471-15**~~+~~ **Criminal penalties.** ~~Any~~ (a) Except as
4 provided in subsection (b), any person convicted of violating
5 section 471-2 shall have committed a misdemeanor and be subject
6 to a fine not to exceed \$500 or imprisoned not more than six
7 months, or both.

8 (b) Any person convicted of violating section 471-2 and
9 who in the course of that violation intentionally or knowingly
10 performed any veterinary procedure on a pet animal in a cruel or
11 inhumane manner shall have committed a class C felony. For
12 purposes of this subsection, "pet animal" shall have the same
13 meaning as in section 711-1100.

14 ~~Additionally,~~ (c) In addition to the penalties provided
15 in subsections (a) and (b), all tools, implements, appliances,
16 medicine, and drugs used in the practice of veterinary medicine
17 by any person convicted of practicing veterinary medicine
18 without a license shall be declared forfeited to the State by



1 the court and turned over to the board for disposition as it may
2 choose to make."

3 SECTION 2. Section 711-1108.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
4 amended by amending subsection (2) to read as follows:

5 "(2) Subsection (1) shall not apply to:

6 (a) Accepted veterinary practices[+] performed by a person
7 licensed under section 471-2;

8 (b) Activities carried on for scientific research governed
9 by standards of accepted educational or medicinal
10 practices; [~~or~~] and

11 (c) Cropping or docking as customarily practiced[+] unless
12 performed for compensation by a person not licensed
13 under section 471-2."

14 SECTION 3. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
15 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
16 begun before its effective date.

17 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
18 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

19 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



Report Title:

Veterinary Medicine

Description:

Makes intentional or knowing performance of a veterinary procedure in a cruel or inhumane manner by an unlicensed person a Class C felony. Subjects cropping or docking by an unlicensed person for compensation to the law against cruelty to animals in the 1st degree. (HB1133 HD1)

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