
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ANIMALS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 711, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding two new sections to be appropriately
3 designated and to read as follows:

4 "§711- Definitions. In this section, unless a different
5 meaning is plainly required:

6 "Equine animal" means an animal of or belonging to the
7 family Equidae, including horses, ponies, mules, donkeys, asses,
8 burros, and zebras.

9 "Feral" means animals that have escaped or been released
10 from domestication and are living in a wild and unconfined
11 state.

12 "Pet" means a domesticated dog, cat, or equine animal, and
13 includes feral dogs, cats, or equine animals.

14 "§711- Killing a pet for human consumption. (1) A
15 person commits the offense of killing a pet for human
16 consumption if the person:

17 (a) Possesses, sells, buys, gives away, accepts, holds,
18 steals, transports, or imports into or exports from



1 the State any pet with the intent of killing, or
2 having another kill, that pet if that person knows or
3 should have known that any part of that pet will be
4 used for human consumption;

5 (b) Breeds any pet with the intent to use the pet for
6 human consumption or sell or give away that pet for
7 human consumption; or

8 (c) Knowingly consumes any pet on any occasion, including
9 ethnic holidays or events.

10 (2) Violation of this section shall be a class B felony.

11 (3) If there is any conflict between this section and
12 section 711-1109, or any other provision of law, this section
13 shall apply."

14 SECTION 2. 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 3. New statutory material is underscored.

18 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

Killing a Pet for Human Consumption

Description:

Criminalizes the killing of pet dogs, cats, and equine animals as a class B felony.

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