

SENATE CHAMBER

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

DISPOSITION

FLOOR AMENDMENT

No. 1

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

(Date)

I move to amend Senate Bill No. 945, by substituting the attached floor substitute (Request #1818) for the title, enacting clause, and entire body of the measure.

Submitted by:



Senator Guthrie

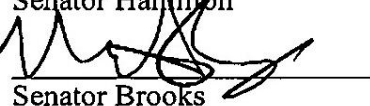
I hereby grant permission for the floor substitute to be adopted.



Senator Weaver, Chair (required)



Senator Hamilton

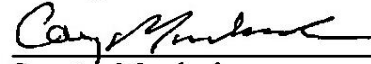


Senator Brooks

Senator Jech



Senator Kern



Senator Murdock

Senator Goodwin

Senator Wingard

Senator Paxton, President Pro Tempore

Senator Daniels, Majority Floor Leader

Note: Public Safety committee majority requires five (5) members' signatures.

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(Floor Amendments Only)

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1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 60th Legislature (2025)

3 FLOOR SUBSTITUTE
4 FOR

5 SENATE BILL NO. 945

6 By: Guthrie

7 FLOOR SUBSTITUTE

8 [crimes and punishments - animal cruelty -
9 misdemeanor offense - felony offense - penalties -
10 effective date]

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12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

13 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2021, Section 1685, is
14 amended to read as follows:

15 Section 1685. A. Any person who shall knowingly deprive any
16 animal in subjugation or captivity, whether wild or tame, and
17 whether belonging to the person or to another, of necessary food,
18 drink, shelter, or veterinary care; or who shall cause, procure, or
19 permit any such animal to be deprived by another shall be guilty,
20 upon conviction, of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment in the
21 county jail for a term not to exceed one (1) year, by a fine not
22 more than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), or by both such
23 imprisonment and fine. Any animal so maltreated shall be considered
24 a neglected animal.

1 B. Any person who shall ~~willfully or maliciously torture,~~
2 knowingly destroy ~~or,~~ kill, ~~or~~ cruelly beat or injure, maim, or
3 mutilate any animal in subjugation or captivity, whether wild or
4 tame, and whether belonging to the person or to another, or deprive
5 any such animal of necessary food, drink, shelter, or veterinary
6 care to prevent suffering that causes great bodily harm or death; or
7 who shall cause, procure, or permit any such animal to be so
8 tortured, destroyed ~~or,~~ killed, ~~or~~ cruelly beaten or injured,
9 maimed, or mutilated, ~~or deprived of necessary food, drink, shelter,~~
10 ~~or veterinary care to prevent suffering;~~ or who shall willfully set
11 on foot, instigate, engage in, or in any way further any act of
12 cruelty to any animal, or any act tending to produce such cruelty,
13 shall be guilty, upon conviction, of a felony and ~~shall be punished~~
14 punishable by imprisonment in the ~~State Penitentiary~~ custody of the
15 Department of Corrections for a term not ~~exceeding~~ to exceed five
16 (5) years, or by imprisonment in the county jail for a term not to
17 exceed ~~exceeding~~ one (1) year, ~~or~~ by a fine not ~~exceeding~~ more than
18 Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), or by both such imprisonment and
19 fine. Any animal so maltreated or abused shall be considered an
20 abused ~~or neglected~~ animal.

21 C. Any person providing commercial services for animals,
22 including, but not limited to, veterinary care, grooming services,
23 or boarding, who shall willfully or maliciously destroy, kill, beat,
24 injure, maim, or mutilate an animal or pet in his or her care,

1 shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a felony punishable by
2 imprisonment in the custody of the Department of Corrections for a
3 term not to exceed ten (10) years, a fine not more than Seven
4 Thousand Dollars (\$7,000.00), or by both such imprisonment and fine.

5 D. Any prosecution under this section that concerns livestock,
6 as defined in Section 1-3 of Title 2 of the Oklahoma Statutes, shall
7 require a determination by the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture,
8 Food, and Forestry or by a licensed veterinarian that the alleged
9 neglect constitutes a violation of accepted livestock management
10 practices.

11 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025.

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