

Regular Session, 2010  
HOUSE BILL NO. 428  
BY REPRESENTATIVE LEGER

# ACT No. 916

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 14:102.2(C), relative to offenses affecting public sensibility; to  
3 provide with respect to the seizure of animals treated cruelly; and to provide for  
4 related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 14:102.2(C) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §102.2. Seizure and disposition of animals cruelly treated

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9 C.(1) A person claiming an interest in any animal seized pursuant to this  
10 Section may prevent the disposition of the animal as provided for in Subsection B  
11 of this Section by posting a bond with the court within fifteen days after receiving  
12 notice of such seizure. Such bond shall prevent the disposition of the animal for a  
13 period of thirty days in an amount sufficient to secure payment for all reasonable  
14 costs incurred in the boarding and treatment for any seized animal for a thirty-day  
15 period commencing on the date of initial seizure.

16 (2)(a) The amount of the bond shall be determined by the department,  
17 agency, humane society, and the custodian of the animal as authorized by the court  
18 and shall be sufficient to secure payment for all reasonable costs incurred during the  
19 thirty-day period for the boarding and medical treatment of the animal after  
20 examination by a licensed veterinarian.

21 (b) The court shall order that the bond be given to the custodian of the  
22 animal to cover such costs.

23 (3) Such bond shall not prevent the department, agency, humane society, or  
24 other custodian of the animal from disposing of the animal in accordance with

1 Subsection B of this Section at the end of the thirty-day period covered by the bond,  
 2 unless the person claiming an interest posts an additional bond for such reasonable  
 3 expenses for an additional thirty-day period. In addition, such bond shall not prevent  
 4 disposition of the animal for humane purposes at any time, in accordance with  
 5 Subsection E of this Section. ~~The amount of the bond shall be determined by the~~  
 6 ~~department, agency, humane society or other custodian of the animal as authorized~~  
 7 ~~by the court in accordance with the current rate for board and on the condition of the~~  
 8 ~~animal after examination by a licensed veterinarian.~~

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

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