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Abstract: Provides for a minimum fine and imprisonment for a first offense of simple cruelty to animals.

Present law provides for the crime of simple cruelty to animals and provides that whoever commits a first offense of simple cruelty to animals shall be fined not more than $1,000, or imprisoned for not more than six months, or both.

Proposed law amends present law to provide that upon a first offense, the offender shall be fined not less than $300 nor more than $1,000, or imprisoned for not less than 30 days nor more than six months, or both. Further provides that the court may order the offender to pay for any expenses incurred for medical treatment of the animal.

(Amends R.S. 14:102.1(A)(2)(a))