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HB 607 Engrossed

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Abstract: Provides relative to the payment of expenses incurred for a first offense of simple cruelty to animals.

<u>Present law</u> 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.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and provides that the court may order the offender to pay for any expenses incurred for the housing of the animal and for medical treatment of the animal, pursuant to present law (C.Cr.P. Art. 883.2).

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

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by <u>House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice</u> to the <u>original</u> bill:

- 1. Remove the proposed law minimum fine and minimum term of imprisonment.
- 2. Provide that the court may order the offender to pay for the housing of the animal, along with any medical treatment of the animal.
- 3. Provide that any payments ordered by the court for expenses incurred are to be made pursuant to <u>present law</u> (C.Cr.P. Art. 883.2).