HB 2500 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Judiciary

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Creates a private right of action for compensatory damages against the person responsible for inflicting abuse against a domestic animal for any expenses incurred by an individual in relation to veterinary care for the abused animal.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Domestic animal is defined as an animal, other than livestock or equines, that is owned or possessed by a person. The right of action created by this bill does not apply to equine or livestock.