



General Assembly

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**Amendment**

LCO No. 5548

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To: Senate Bill No. 246

File No. 272

Cal. No. 229

**"AN ACT CONCERNING LIABILITY FOR DAMAGE CAUSED BY A DOG."**

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and  
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2012*) (a) Notwithstanding any  
4 provision of the general statutes, no person may intentionally cause  
5 the death of a cat or dog unless such person (1) is a licensed  
6 veterinarian or a person under the supervision of such veterinarian  
7 who humanely causes the death of the cat or dog by lethal injection of  
8 sodium pentobarbital in the course of such veterinarian's or person's  
9 duties, (2) causes the death of such cat or dog while such cat or dog is  
10 attacking a person or another animal under circumstances where a  
11 reasonable person would consider such attack life-threatening to a  
12 person or another animal or likely to cause serious physical injury, as  
13 defined in section 53a-3 of the general statutes, to a person or another  
14 animal, or (3) humanely causes the death of a cat or dog with a life-

15 threatening injury in order to prevent further suffering of such cat or  
16 dog. Nothing in this subsection shall prevent the destruction of any cat  
17 or dog by a law enforcement officer in the course of such law  
18 enforcement officer's duties.

19 (b) Any person who violates the provisions of subsection (a) of this  
20 section shall be fined not more than one thousand dollars or  
21 imprisoned not more than one year, or both."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	<i>October 1, 2012</i>	New section