



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 361

LCO No. 2178



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Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENT

Introduced by:
SEN. LOONEY, 11th Dist.

**AN ACT INCREASING THE MAXIMUM PENALTY FOR PERSONS
CONVICTED OF MALICIOUS AND INTENTIONAL ANIMAL CRUELTY.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That subsection (b) of section 53-247 of the general statutes be
- 2 amended to increase the maximum penalty for a conviction of
- 3 malicious and intentional animal cruelty from a maximum of five
- 4 years to a maximum of seven years. Additionally, the maximum fine
- 5 for such offense shall be five thousand dollars and any person who is
- 6 convicted a second time of such offense shall be imprisoned for a
- 7 period of ten years and fined ten thousand dollars.

Statement of Purpose:

To increase the maximum sentence for persons convicted of intentional animal cruelty and establish parity with the laws of Massachusetts for such an offense.