

Testimony Concerning HB 6187
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I would like to thank the Judiciary Committee for the opportunity to express my support of **HB 6187**
AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROTECTION OF ANIMALS THAT ARE THE SUBJECT OF CRIMINAL COURT
PROCEEDINGS.

I work with animals on a daily basis and see the unconditional love that they give to us humans no matter what. They would do anything for us and yet we let these evil people abuse, maim and kill them and get away with it. These people need to be punished for their crimes. Since the animals cannot speak for themselves, what better way to help them than give them an advocate?

We have all heard horror stories in the media about people abusing and torturing other humans. And so often, when they delve into their past, the perpetrator usually started by abusing animals. We have the chance to stop this horrific cycle. We can stop them in their tracks before they move on to our children, spouses, parents and siblings.

I urge you to support this bill. Please give animals the voice they so strongly deserve.

Thank you for giving me an opportunity to testify and I do hope you will strongly support this important piece of legislation.

Thank you,

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