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Hello. I would like to express my support on HB 5344 Desmonds Law.

It saddens me greatly that people are allowed to abuse animals with no punishment. These people will repeatedly abuse and harm innocent animals with no remorse. The abide can range in severity as well as the psychological torture they cause to these animals as well. It is never needed. But because they are not held accountable it continues. Yet if this happened to a human it would be a whole different story.

Many times the abuse is done in households to intimate the wives and children. The children grow up repeating these behaviors.

In my line of work at DCF, dogs especially are left outside with no food. No water. Chained in less than 5 feet of freedom no shelter and endure the harsh climate elements of the heat to sub zero temps. Can the police help? Yes they often try. The owners will bring them in temporarily to satisfy the law and then placed back outside.

Inside of homes animals have been found chained by their necks in the basements left to die because the owners couldn't afford to feed them. Many are crammed in crates too small to even stand. Many, many are used as bait for fights. Kicked. Punched. Banged against floors and walls.

Please stop this from repeatedly occurring and let people know that abuse is never ok! It's not ok on children, adults, or animals.

If it is committed then punishment needs to happen.

Thank you,

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