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It is the intent of the General Assembly that each animal in the State be protected from intentional cruelty, including animals that are:

(1) privately owned;

(2) strays;

(3) domesticated;

(4) feral;

(5) farm animals;

(6) corporately or institutionally owned; or

(7) used in privately, locally, State, or federally funded scientific or medical activities.

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