

**SB0375/673720/1**

BY: Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 375  
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, strike “**Agriculture – Roosters**” and substitute “**Crimes Relating to Animals**”; in the same line, after “**Restrictions**” insert “**on Keeping Roosters**”; in line 3, strike “unless authorized by the Department of Agriculture” and substitute “**beginning on a certain date**”; in line 4, after “a” insert “**rooster movement–constrained through the use of a certain enclosure or tether**”; strike beginning with the second “certain” in line 4 down through “date” in line 5; strike beginning with “authorizing” in line 5 down through “Act;” in line 7; in line 10, strike “Agriculture” and substitute “**Criminal Law**”; in line 11, strike “3–105.2” and substitute “**10–608.1**”; in line 13, strike “(2016” and substitute “**2021**”; and strike in their entirety lines 21 and 22 and substitute:

**“Article – Criminal Law**

**10–608.1.**

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, after line 2, insert:

**“(2) “ENCLOSURE” MEANS A STRUCTURE USED FOR CONFINEMENT, INCLUDING A WIRE CAGE OR AN ITEM TRADITIONALLY USED FOR ANOTHER PURPOSE SUCH AS A WATER TANK OR PLASTIC BARREL, THAT:**

**(I) IS USED TO PROVIDE LONG-TERM HOUSING FOR ONE ADULT ROOSTER; AND**

**(II) PREVENTS INTERACTION WITH OTHER ROOSTERS.”;**

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in lines 3 and 7, strike “(2)” and “(3)”, respectively, and substitute “(3)” and “(4)”, respectively; in lines 4, 5, 14, 16, and 19, in each instance, strike “A” and substitute “A”; in lines 8 and 10, in each instance, strike “IS” and substitute “IS”; in line 9, strike “HAS” and substitute “HAS”; in line 12, strike “COMMERCIAL” and substitute “COMMERCIAL”; in line 13, strike “THIS ARTICLE” and substitute “THE AGRICULTURE ARTICLE”; in line 17, strike “AN” and substitute “AN”; in line 18, strike “OR”; in line 23, strike “MEMBERSHIP” and substitute “MEMBERSHIP”; and in line 25, strike “AUTHORIZATION” and substitute “AUTHORIZATION”.

On page 3, in lines 1, 3, 4, 5, and 7, in each instance, strike “THE” and substitute “THE”; strike beginning with “MORE” in line 1 down through “25” in line 2; in line 8, after “KEPT” insert “; OR”

**(6) A PERSON IF, ON REQUEST OF AN ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER, AN OFFICER OF A COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY, OR A POLICE OFFICER, THE PERSON PROVIDES IN WRITING PROOF THAT THE PERSON KEPT MORE ADULT HENS THAN ROOSTERS WITHIN THE IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING 6-MONTH PERIOD**;

strike beginning with “UNLESS” in line 9 down through “DEPARTMENT,” in line 10; in line 11, strike “AND KEPT” and substitute “MAY NOT KEEP A ROOSTER”; strike beginning with “MAY” in line 12 down through “PROPERTY” in line 16; and strike beginning with “A” in line 24 down through “SUBTITLE” in line 27 and substitute:

**“(1) A VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION IS A CIVIL OFFENSE.**

**(2) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SECTION IS SUBJECT TO:**

**(1) FOR A FIRST OFFENSE, A WARNING;**

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**(II) FOR A SECOND OFFENSE, A CIVIL PENALTY OF UP TO \$500 PER ROOSTER; AND**

**(III) FOR A THIRD OR SUBSEQUENT OFFENSE, A CIVIL PENALTY OF UP TO \$1,000 PER ROOSTER.**

**(3) THIS SECTION MAY BE ENFORCED BY:**

**(I) ANY STATE OR LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER; OR**

**(II) A LOCAL ANIMAL CONTROL AUTHORITY FOR THE JURISDICTION WHERE THE VIOLATION OCCURS”.**

On pages 3 and 4, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 28 on page 3 through line 5 on page 4, inclusive.