

H.B. 87

Animal Crime Victim Amendments

House Amendments

Amendment 1

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Representative **Verona Mauga** proposes the following amendments:

1. Line 209 through 215:

- 209 (1) (a) A person may bring a cause of action in court by filing a petition, requesting that
210 the court issue an order that a defendant forfeit ownership of an animal or animals
211 before the final disposition of the defendant's criminal action if:
212 (i) the animal is impounded under Section 76-13-103 { ~~or 77-11b-502,~~ } or is otherwise
213 being held by an animal shelter or any other animal care facility; and
214 (ii) the animal is being held because the animal owner is awaiting the outcome of a
215 criminal action where the animal owner is a defendant facing a criminal animal