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Mr. Speaker:

The Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environment Committee reports a favorable recommendation on **H.B. 242**, CRIMINAL PENALTY FOR ANIMAL CRUELTY, by Representative S. Wyatt, with the following amendments:

1. *Page 1, Line 17:*

- 17 { ~~→ changes the intent provisions regarding abandonment and animal fighting;~~ }
- ▶ clarifies the general applicability of the exemption for acting under a legal privilege;

2. *Page 1, Line 18:*

- ▶ clarifies the general applicability of the exemption for acting under a legal privilege;
- ▶ provides an exemption for animals kept and used for training hunting dogs and falcons;
- 18 ▶ includes the offense of seriously injuring an animal;

3. *Page 2, Lines 54 through 55:*

- 54 husbandry practices; { ~~and~~ }
- 55 (C) protected and unprotected wildlife as defined in Section 23-13-2 and (D) animals kept or owned for the purpose of hunting dog or falcon training and cared for in accordance with accepted husbandry practices .

4. *Page 3, Line 63:*

- 63 (i) appropriate and essential food and { ~~potable~~ } water;

5. *Page 3, Lines 65 through 66:*

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65 (iii) adequate protection, including appropriate shelter, against extreme weather
66 conditions { ~~including extremes of cold, heat, and precipitation~~ } .

6. Page 3, Line 67:

67 [(4)] (2) A person is guilty of cruelty to animals if the person . without having
legal privilege to do so. intentionally, knowingly,

7. Page 3, Lines 80 through 88:

80 [(3)] (4) A person is guilty of aggravated cruelty to an animal if the person .
without having legal privilege to do so :

81 [(a) tortures an animal;]

82 { ~~(a) without having a legal privilege to do so:~~ }

83 [(b)] (a) (i) administers or causes to be administered poison or poisonous
substances to an

* * * Some lines not shown * * *

87 (b) causes to an animal serious bodily injury as defined in Section 76-1-601; or

88 (c) kills or causes to be killed an animal { ~~without having a legal privilege to do
so~~ } .

Respectfully,

Roger E. Barrus
Committee Chair

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