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Sponsor(s): Representatives Sullivan and Chase

Brief Description: Preventing animal cruelty.

HB 2219 - DIGEST

Declares that a person commits the crime of sexual assault of an animal if the person: (1) Touches or contacts, or causes an object or another person to touch or contact, the mouth, anus, or sex organs of an animal for the purpose of arousing or gratifying the sexual desire of a person; or

(2) Causes an animal to touch or contact the mouth, anus, or sex organs of a person for the purpose of arousing or gratifying the sexual desire of a person.

Declares that sexual assault of an animal is a gross misdemeanor.

Provides that, upon the conviction of a defendant for a violation of this act, the court, in addition to any other sentence imposed, shall order the defendant to undergo a psychiatric or psychological evaluation and, if warranted by the mental condition of the defendant, undergo appropriate care or treatment. The defendant shall bear the costs of the evaluation and treatment.