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AMEND Senate Bill No. 2417

House Bill No. 2094*

by deleting all of the language after the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-14-202(a), is amended by deleting item (1) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(1) Maims or grossly overworks an animal;

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-14-202, is amended by adding the following as new subsection (b) and by relettering the existing subsection (b) and subsequent subsections accordingly:

(b)(1) A person commits aggravated cruelty who intentionally or knowingly tortures any animal or with reckless disregard for the welfare of the animal inflicts pain, serious physical injury, or death upon the animal.

(2) A person who commits aggravated cruelty commits a Class E felony.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-14-202, is further amended by adding the following language to the beginning of existing subsection (f):

Except as otherwise provided in this section,

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 1996, the public welfare requiring it.