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sHB-5566

AN ACT CONCERNING ACCELERATED REHABILITATION IN  
THE CASE OF ANIMAL CRUELTY.

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## ***OFA Fiscal Note***

### ***State Impact:***

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 27 \$	FY 28 \$
Correction, Dept.; Judicial Dept. (Probation)	GF - Potential Cost	Minimal	Minimal

Note: GF=General Fund

***Municipal Impact:*** None

### ***Explanation***

The bill prohibits individuals charged with certain animal cruelty crimes from participating in the accelerated rehabilitation (AR) program if they have already participated in the program within the past 15 years, resulting in a minimal potential cost to the Department of Correction and the Judicial Department for incarceration or probation, to the extent any individuals who would have been eligible for AR are no longer eligible because of the bill. On average, the marginal cost to the state for incarcerating an offender for the year is \$3,300<sup>1</sup> while the average marginal cost for supervision in the community is less than \$600<sup>2</sup> each year for adults and \$450 each year for juveniles.

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<sup>1</sup> Inmate marginal cost is based on increased consumables (e.g., food, clothing, water, sewage, living supplies, etc.) This does not include a change in staffing costs or utility expenses because these expenses would only be realized if a unit or facility opened.

<sup>2</sup> Probation marginal cost is based on services provided by private providers and only includes costs that increase with each additional participant. This does not include a cost for additional supervision by a probation officer unless a new offense is

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***The Out Years***

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to the number of individuals who would have been eligible for AR.

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anticipated to result in enough additional offenders to require additional probation officers.