

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0046

Nyx's law.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Gay and Senator(s) Meier

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to crimes and offenses; specifying that it
 2 is unlawful to recklessly or with criminal negligence
 3 injure or kill a police, fire or search and rescue animal
 4 as specified; providing a penalty; and providing for an
 5 effective date.

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7 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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9 **Section 1.** W.S. 6-5-211(a) is amended to read:

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11 **6-5-211. Injuring or killing a police dog, fire dog,**
 12 **search and rescue dog or police horse prohibited;**
 13 **penalties.**

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15 (a) Any person who knowingly, willfully and without
 16 lawful cause or justification permanently disables or

1 inflicts death upon any animal defined in subsection (b) of
2 this section shall be liable for restitution by order of a
3 court and shall be guilty of a felony punishable by
4 imprisonment for not more than ten (10) years, a fine of
5 not more than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00), or both.
6 Any person who recklessly or through criminal negligence
7 permanently disables or inflicts death upon any animal
8 defined in subsection (b) of this section shall be guilty
9 of a felony punishable by imprisonment for not more than
10 five (5) years, a fine of not more than ten thousand
11 dollars (\$10,000.00), or both.

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13 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2015.

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