STATE OF NEW YORK

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2017-2018 Regular Sessions

IN ASSEMBLY

January 30, 2017

Introduced by M. of A. ROSENTHAL, WEPRIN -- read once and referred to the Committee on Agriculture

AN ACT to amend the agriculture and markets law, in relation to aggravated cruelty to animals $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) +\left(1$

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 353-a of the agriculture and 2 markets law, as added by chapter 118 of the laws of 1999, is amended to 3 read as follows:

1. A person is guilty of aggravated cruelty to animals when, with no justifiable purpose, he or she intentionally kills or intentionally causes [serious] physical injury to a companion animal with aggravated cruelty. For purposes of this section, "aggravated cruelty" shall mean conduct which: (i) is intended to cause extreme physical pain; or (ii) is done or carried out in an especially depraved or sadistic manner.

10 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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