

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action:	Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed
Vote:	5 - 0 - 0
Yeas:	Bonamici, Dingfelder, Kruse, Whitsett, Prozanski
Nays:	0
Exc.:	0
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Meeting Dates:	3/17, 4/14, 4/18, 4/20

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Allows court to include animals within scope of protective order issued pursuant to Family Abuse Prevention Act. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Conduct or threats against animals as an indicator of disturbance
- Conduct or threats against animals as a means to manipulate

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Narrows applicability of measure to pets.

BACKGROUND: Courts generally have jurisdiction to enjoin a variety of activities and conduct, and specific authority may be found in statute, including Oregon’s criminal statutes and the Family Abuse Prevention Act. The provisions of such orders depend upon the type of case and the facts at issue, but may include prohibitions against contact with a specific person or people, against being physically in a particular place, against consumption of alcohol, or possession of weapons, et cetera.

Senate Bill 616 A makes explicit the court’s authority to include animals within the scope of orders issued pursuant to the Family Abuse Prevention Act.