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Written Testimony in SUPPORT of SB 997

Chairman and members of the Judicial Proceedings Committee, I am here to introduce and voice my support for Senate Bill 997 – *Civil Actions – Tortious Injury to a or Death of a Pet – Compensatory Damages (Buddy’s Law)*.

Senate Bill 997 would increase the maximum amount of compensatory damages that may be awarded to an owner of a pet from a person who tortuously causes injury or death of a pet to \$25,000.