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HB 19-1180

FISCAL NOTE

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Prime Sponsors: Rep. Geitner

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Bill Status: House Judiciary
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Bill Topic: CORRECTING THE DEFINITION OF POLICE WORKING HORSE

Summary of Fiscal Impact: **No fiscal impact.** This bill modifies the statutory definition of a police working horse to remove the word certified.

Appropriation Summary: No appropriation is required.

Fiscal Note Status: This fiscal note reflects the introduced bill.

Summary of Legislation

Under current law, an offender harming a police horse may be charged with cruelty to animals which is a misdemeanor or a felony for aggravated or subsequent offenses. This bill modifies the statutory definition of a police working horse to remove the word "certified."

Assessment of No Fiscal Impact

This bill will not change the number of cruelty to animal cases, the manner in which these cases would be prosecuted, or the potential sentence that would result from a conviction; therefore, the bill will not impact the revenue, expenditures, or workload of any state agency or local government and has been assessed as having no fiscal impact.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.

State and Local Government Contacts

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