

HOUSE No. 4360

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, November 8, 2007.

The committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 727) of Jennifer M. Callahan and others relative to establishing protective measures for abused animals, reports recommending that the accompanying bill (House, No. 4360) ought to pass.

For the committee,

FRANK I. SMIZIK.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Seven.

AN ACT ESTABLISHING PROTECTIVE MEASURES FOR ABUSED ANIMALS IN
CASES OF DOMESTIC ABUSE.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

- 1 Abuse prevention: Remedies/Orders.
- 2 Section 3 of chapter 209A of the General Laws, as appearing in
- 3 the 2006 Official Edition, is hereby amended after section (i) by
- 4 adding the following new section:—
- 5 (j) Ordering the care, custody or control of any companion
- 6 animal or companion livestock owned, possessed, leased, kept or
- 7 held by either party or a minor child residing in the household.