

New York City Council

Memorandum in Support of Legislation

This memorandum is authored by the sponsor and explains the need for the legislation referenced below, in accordance with Rule 6.00(d) of the Rules of the Council.

Legislative Service Number:

- Reso 0838-2025

Prime Sponsor:

- Council Member Joann Ariola

Bill Title: Resolution calling on the New York State Legislature to pass, and the Governor to sign, legislation amending New York State's Agriculture and Markets Law ? 353-A, aggravated cruelty to animals, to require a conviction under this provision to carry a sentence of at least 3 years, and for multiple convictions to carry consecutive sentences of at least 3 years per conviction

- Submitted by:
- Council Member Joann Ariola
- Justification

Currently animal abuser convictions are combined for a maximum of two years.

For this reasons, I urge my colleagues to support this legislation.