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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate	.	House
Comm: RCS	.	
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The Committee on Criminal Justice (Gibson) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Delete everything after the enacting clause  
and insert:

Section 1. This act may be cited as the "Protecting Animal Welfare and Safety Act" or "P.A.W.S. Act."

Section 2. Section 828.075, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

828.075 Animals in unattended motor vehicles.—A person who intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly confines an animal in an



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11 unattended motor vehicle under conditions that endanger the  
12 health or well-being of the animal due to heat, cold, lack of  
13 adequate ventilation, lack of food or water, or other  
14 circumstances that could reasonably be expected to cause  
15 suffering, disability, or death of the animal commits a  
16 misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s.  
17 775.082 or s. 775.083.

18 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016.

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20 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

21 And the title is amended as follows:

22 Delete everything before the enacting clause  
23 and insert:

24 A bill to be entitled

25 An act relating to animals confined in unattended  
26 motor vehicles; providing a short title; creating s.  
27 828.075, F.S.; prohibiting a person from confining an  
28 animal in an unattended motor vehicle under certain  
29 circumstances; providing a criminal penalty; providing  
30 an effective date.