Senate Bill No. 1200

CHAPTER 237

An act to add Section 13012.8 to the Penal Code, relating to animal cruelty.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1200, Jackson. Animal cruelty: criminal statistics.

(1) Existing law requires the Department of Justice to collect data from specified local law enforcement agencies and to present an annual report to the Governor containing the criminal statistics of the preceding calendar year. Existing law requires those law enforcement agencies to install and maintain records needed for the correct reporting of statistical data and to report the data to the Attorney General in the manner the Attorney General prescribes.

This bill would require the department's annual report to the Governor to include information concerning arrests for animal cruelty. Because the bill would require local agencies to collect and report additional information to the Attorney General, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

(2) The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to these statutory provisions.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 13012.8 is added to the Penal Code, to read:

13012.8. The annual report published by the department pursuant to Section 13010 shall include information concerning arrests for violations of Section 597.

SEC. 2. If the Commission on State Mandates determines that this act contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement to local agencies and school districts for those costs shall be made pursuant to Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code.

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