

HB 1566 -- Dog Fighting

Sponsor: LeVota

This bill prohibits any person from possessing dog fighting paraphernalia. A first offense will be a class D felony, and a second or subsequent offense will be a class C felony.

Any person who owns, possesses, keeps, or trains any dog with the intent that the dog will be engaged in an exhibition of dog fighting; for amusement or gain, causes any dog to fight with another dog or causes any dogs to injure each other; or permits any of these acts to be committed on any premises under the person's control or aids and abets any of these acts will be guilty of a class C felony for any second or subsequent offense. Any person who is knowingly and intentionally present at any place where preparations are being made for an exhibition of dog fighting will be guilty of a class D felony for any second or subsequent offense.