HB 1054 -- ANIMALS

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Under this bill, any public or private university or college that receives state funds and uses the funds for animal research must post a written report of the animal research on its website prior to December 31 of each year. The written report must contain the following:

(1) An accounting of the total amount of funding expended for animal research by the college or university during the preceding state fiscal year.

(2) A list of active animal research projects, including project titles, the university or college department, animal species, number of animals, fiscal year cost, total cost to date, funding source, and the start and end dates;

(3) A review of compliance with the federal Animal Welfare Act, the United States Public Health Service Policy on Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals, and other applicable local, state, and federal laws, regulations, and policies governing animal research;

(4) An accounting of the number of animals by species adopted out from research laboratories during the preceding state fiscal year to animal shelters, or to animal rescue organizations, and the number of animals euthanized;

(5) Current rosters for all Institutional Animal Care and Use Committees within the college or university; and

(6) A detailed explanation of specific efforts by the college or university to refine, reduce, and replace the use of animals in research during the preceding state fiscal year.

The use of animals in research includes animals used in scientific research, testing, and for experimentation purposes.

The bill requires that the basic training of every peace officer must include at least four hours of training on officer-canine encounters and canine behaviors, as provided in the bill.

This bill is similar to SB 402 (2025).