FISCAL NOTE

Bill #: SB0073 **Title:** Revise cruelty to animals law

Primary Sponsor: Mahlum, D **Status:** As Introduced

Sponsor signature Date Chuck Swysgood, Budget Director Date

Fiscal Summary

	FY 2004 Difference	FY 2005 Difference
Net Impact on General Fund Balance:	$0	$0

- ☐ Significant Local Gov. Impact
- ☐ Included in the Executive Budget
- ☐ Dedicated Revenue Form Attached
- ☐ Technical Concerns
- ☐ Significant Long-Term Impacts
- ☐ Needs to be included in HB 2

Fiscal Analysis

ASSUMPTIONS:

1. This bill changes the fine to be collected in cruelty to animals cases.
2. The Judicial Branch does not collect or benefit from the collection of this fine. Therefore, there is no fiscal impact to the Judicial Branch.
3. First time convictions remain a misdemeanor, so there is no impact to the Department of Corrections.

EFFECT ON COUNTY OR OTHER LOCAL REVENUES OR EXPENDITURES:

The average daily incarceration cost in a county jail is approximately $50. Changing the sentence from six months to one year would cost $9,000 ($50 x 180 = $9,000) for each person convicted, providing they served the full sentence in the county jail. MACo cannot predict the number of individuals that may be affected, so cannot determine an annualized increased cost.