Petition to Enact a First Offense Felony Law for Aggravated Cruelty Against Dogs and Cats in Mississippi

Background: **Mississippi is one of only four states without a felony provision for the worst acts of cruelty against dogs and cats, although aggravated cruelty against livestock (animals generally raised for slaughter including cows, pigs or chickens) is a felony [MS Code 97-41-15].**

Action Petitioned: **The undersigned Mississippi residents urge the Mississippi Legislature to enact first offense felony legislation to make the penalty for aggravated cruelty to domesticated dogs and cats equal to the penalty currently provided for livestock.**

Signature	Printed Name	Address	County	Email

Please return to: **Mississippi-Fighting Animal Cruelty Together (MS-FACT)** **PO Box 1485** **Madison, MS 39130**