

# SENATE BILL No. 11

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 35-46-3.

**Synopsis:** Animal fighting contests. Makes attending an animal fighting contest a Class D felony. Repeals the law that makes it cruelty to an animal, a Class A misdemeanor, for a person to attend a fighting contest involving animals. Makes a technical correction.

**Effective:** July 1, 2012.

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**Arnold, Steele**

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January 4, 2012, read first time and referred to Committee on Corrections, Criminal, and Civil Matters.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. IC 35-46-3-0.1, AS ADDED BY P.L.220-2011,  
2 SECTION 616, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
3 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2012]: Sec. 0.1. The following amendments to  
4 this chapter apply as follows:

- 5 (1) The addition of sections 8.5 and 9.5 of this chapter by
- 6 P.L.76-2002 applies only to acts committed after June 30, 2002.
- 7 (2) The amendments made to section 12 of this chapter by
- 8 P.L.132-2002 apply only to crimes committed after June 30, 2002.
- 9 (3) The amendments made to sections 11 and 11.5 of this chapter
- 10 by P.L.9-2003 apply only to offenses committed after June 30,
- 11 2003.
- 12 (4) The addition of section 11.3 of this chapter by P.L.9-2003
- 13 applies only to offenses committed after June 30, 2003.
- 14 (5) The amendments made to section 12 of this chapter by
- 15 P.L.7-2007 apply only to:
- 16 (A) offenses; and
- 17 (B) acts that would be a crime if committed by an adult;



1 that are committed after June 30, 2007.  
2 (6) The amendments made to sections 8 and 12 of this chapter by  
3 P.L.171-2007 apply only to crimes committed after June 30, 2007.  
4 However, the amendments made to section 12(d) of this chapter  
5 by P.L.171-2007 apply only to:

- 6 (A) crimes; and
- 7 (B) delinquent acts that would be crimes if committed by an  
8 adult;

9 that are committed after June 30, 2007.  
10 (7) The addition of sections 12.5 and 14 of this chapter by  
11 P.L.171-2007 applies only to crimes committed after June 30,  
12 2007.

13 (8) The amendments made to sections 0.5, 7, ~~3~~, 10 **(before its**  
14 **repeal)**, and 12 of this chapter by P.L.111-2009 apply only to  
15 crimes committed after June 30, 2009.

16 SECTION 2. IC 35-46-3-9 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
17 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2012]: Sec. 9. A person who  
18 knowingly or intentionally:

- 19 (1) promotes or stages an animal fighting contest;
- 20 (2) uses an animal in a fighting contest; or
- 21 (3) attends an animal fighting contest; **having an animal in the**  
22 **person's possession;**

23 commits a Class D felony.

24 SECTION 3. IC 35-46-3-10 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1,  
25 2012]. ~~Sec. 10. A person who knowingly or intentionally attends a~~  
26 ~~fighting contest involving animals commits cruelty to an animal, a~~  
27 ~~Class A misdemeanor. However, except for a conviction under section~~  
28 ~~1 of this chapter, the offense is a Class D felony if the person has a~~  
29 ~~prior unrelated conviction under this chapter.~~

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