



S.F. No. 1935 – Prohibiting elective cat declawing

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SF 1935 prohibits elective declawing of cats by adding a new section 343.256 to chapter 343 relating to prevention of cruelty to animals.

Subdivision 1 defines “cat,” “declawing,” “procedure performed solely for a therapeutic purpose,” and “tendonectomy.”

Subdivision 2 prohibits surgical claw removal, declawing, and tendonectomy on cats except in certain circumstances.

Subdivision 3 allows surgical claw removal, declawing, or tendonectomy when a procedure is performed solely for a therapeutic purpose.

Subdivision 4 specifies civil penalties for violations of the section.

