I am not able to provide testimony in person or by phone at this time however I wish to express my support for AB159.

The nature of the acts of willfully and maliciously being cruel to animals is such that those who commit them should not be privileged to have shortened sentences or probation periods. Offenders convicted of a violation of NRS 574.100 subsection 6 the court should not be allowed to defer judgment nor should the Division of Parole and Probation of the Department of Public Safety should be allowed to petition a court to recommend the early discharge of a person from probation,

The current NELIS Public Opinion Poll is 98% in support of bill AB159.

Thank You

R. Lee Sterrett May 16 2023