

SB0413



94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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Introduced 2/16/2005, by Sen. Kathleen L. Wojcik - Susan Garrett

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

New Act

Creates the Force Fed Birds Act. Prohibits force feeding birds and selling products that are the result of force feeding birds. Violation is a petty offense with a fine of \$1,000. Each day is a separate offense.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning animals.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the Force
5 Fed Birds Act.

6 Section 5. Prohibition; penalties.

7 (a) In this Section:

8 (1) A "bird" includes, but is not limited to, a duck
9 or goose.

10 (2) "Force feeding a bird" means a process that causes
11 the bird to consume more food than a typical bird of the
12 same species would consume voluntarily. Force feeding
13 methods include, but are not limited to, delivering feed
14 through a tube or other device inserted into the bird's
15 esophagus.

16 (b) A person may not force feed a bird for the purpose of
17 enlarging the bird's liver beyond normal size or hire another
18 person to do so.

19 (c) A product may not be sold in Illinois if it is the
20 result of force feeding a bird for the purpose of enlarging the
21 bird's liver beyond normal size.

22 (d) A person who knowingly violates this Section is guilty
23 of a petty offense and shall be fined \$1,000. Each day that a
24 violation occurs is a separate offense.