

## ORDINANCE NUMBER 10 of 2010

### **ANIMALS AND FOWL\***

**\*State law references**-Regulation of dogs by local authorities, R.S. 3:2731 et seq. local regulation of livestock on public highways, R.S. 3:3001 et seq.; Rabies Control Law, R.S. 40:1275. Title 14. Criminal Law. Chapter 1 Criminal Code. Part VI. Offenses Affecting The Public Generally. Subpart B. Offenses Affecting The Public Sensibility. §102. Definitions; cruelty to animals - §102.3.

### **ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL**

#### **Applicability**

This ordinance shall be effective in and apply within DeSoto Parish, Louisiana, outside the boundaries of incorporated municipalities and within the boundaries of any incorporated municipalities which pass ordinances adopting the provisions of this article and shall hereinafter be referred to as the "DeSoto Parish Animal Control Ordinance of DeSoto Parish, Louisiana."

(Previously Ord. of 2-2007, §1-1)

#### **Definitions<sup>1</sup>**

For the purpose of this ordinance, the following terms, phrases, words, and derivations when used in this chapter, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

*Abandon* shall mean the act of completely forsaking or deserting an animal previously under the custody or possession of an owner or keeper without making reasonable arrangements for its proper care, sustenance, and shelter.