

TITLE 6: CRIMES AND CRIMINAL PROCEDURE
DIVISION 3: MISCELLANEOUS OFFENSES

§ 3118. Theft of Pet.

(a) A person commits the offense of theft of a pet if the person, with the intent to deprive or defraud the owner thereof, takes, leads away, confines, secretes, or converts any pet.

(b) A person convicted under this section may be punished by imprisonment of not more than six months, or fine not more than \$500 per pet, or both.

(c) Nothing in subsection (a) shall be construed as barring a conviction for theft or receiving stolen property under the laws of the Commonwealth.

(d) As used in this section, “Pet” means any vertebrate living creature or animal that is commonly considered to be, or is considered by the owner to be, a companion animal. “Pet animal” includes, but is not limited to, canines and felines.

(e) All fines and fees collected under this section shall be deposited into the Animal Protection and Control Revolving Fund and disposed pursuant to 6 CMC § 3198.

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Commission Comment: See Commission comments to 6 CMC § 3191.