

If Humberto Exposito is convicted as charged, here's what he could be facing:

Aggravated Animal Cruelty (3rd Degree Felony)

This is the charge that will drive the sentence.

Potential penalties include:

- **Up to 5 years in state prison**
- **Up to 5 years of probation**
- **Up to a \$10,000 fine**
- Court-ordered counseling or anger management in appropriate cases.

Dexter's Law

Because the offense occurred after the law became effective:

- Florida's sentencing guidelines include a **1.25 sentencing multiplier** for qualifying aggravated animal cruelty cases involving intentional torture or torment that injures, mutilates, or kills an animal. That doesn't automatically mean he'll receive 25% more prison time, but it **increases his sentencing score**, making a prison sentence more likely in qualifying cases.
- If convicted of an offense covered by the law, he may also be listed in Florida's **public animal cruelty offender database**, another consequence intended to deter repeat abuse.

Abandonment of an Animal

A first-degree misdemeanor carrying:

- **Up to 1 year in jail**
- **Up to a \$5,000 fine.**

Confinement Without Sufficient Air Exchange

Also, a first-degree misdemeanor with:

- **Up to 1 year in jail**
- **Up to a \$5,000 fine.**