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### Police Investigating Case of Animal Cruelty

ABILENE, TX – Detectives with the Abilene Police Department are investigating a case of Animal Cruelty involving two 17 year old males and a 16 year old male juvenile. A video surfaced on social media depicting the suspects lighting a fowl on fire on a county road and watching it burn to death. The animal appears to have been doused with some type of accelerant. Detectives became aware of the incident on January 22, and immediately began an investigation. This is an ongoing investigation and the suspects could face State Jail Felony Cruelty to Animal Livestock charges.

Respectfully,

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