

PENDING LEGISLATION

Thursday, January 18th, 2024

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State Legislation:

Bill No.	Summary	Latest Action	Adjourn
AZ SB 1004	Agricultural land; foreign ownership; violation		4/20/24
AZ SB 1033			4/20/24
FL HB 701	PET RABBITS Prohibits sale of rabbits in specified locations & during specified months; specifies unlawful acts relating to sales of rabbits; provides requirements for rabbits offered for sale at retail pet stores; requires retail pet stores to maintain & make available specified records; provides for retrieval, return, & placement of abandoned rabbits; authorizes compliance inspections; provides exceptions.	12/03/23: Filed 12/19/23: Referred to Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee Referred to Criminal Justice Subcommittee Referred to Commerce Committee Now in Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee 01/08/24: 1st Reading	3/8/24
FL HB 873	Dangerous Dogs	12/12/23: Filed 12/27/23: Referred to Local Administration, Federal Affairs & Special Districts Subcommittee Referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee Referred to Judiciary Committee Now in Local Administration, Federal Affairs & Special Districts Subcommittee 01/08/24: 1st Reading	3/8/24
FL HB 1033	Revises provisions concerning specified activities involving iguanas; prohibits pet stores from selling or offering for sale domestic dogs & cats.	12/27/23: Filed 01/08/24: 1st Reading	3/8/24
FL SB 1156	Requiring certain dog owners to securely confine their dogs in a proper enclosure; defining the term "department"; requiring, rather than authorizing, that dogs subject to certain dangerous dog investigations be confiscated, impounded, and held; requiring animal control authorities to provide certain information to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and to destroy certain dogs; requiring the department to create and maintain a statewide Dangerous Dog Registry, etc.	1/1/24: Filed 01/07/24: Referred to Agriculture; Judiciary; Fiscal Policy 01/08/24: Introduced 1/17/24: On Committee agenda-- Agriculture, 01/23/24, 1:00 pm, 301 Senate Building Committee on Agriculture Hearing Senate Agriculture Committee • FL Senate 301 Senate Building Jan 23, 2024 at 1:00 pm	3/8/24

Bill No.	Summary	Latest Action	Adjourn
FL SB 1426	Prohibiting the sale of rabbits in specified locations and during specified months; specifying unlawful acts relating to the sale, offering for sale, and the giving away as merchandising premiums of certain rabbits; requiring local authorities to retrieve, return, and place abandoned rabbits in a specified manner; providing criminal penalties, etc.	01/04/24: Filed 01/09/24: Referred to Agriculture; Commerce and Tourism; Rules Introduced	3/8/24
FL SB 1478	Retail Sale of Domestic Dogs and Cats Defining the terms “pet store” and “sell or offer for sale”; prohibiting pet stores from selling or offering for sale domestic dogs and cats, etc.	01/04/24: Filed 01/09/24: Referred to Commerce and Tourism; Regulated Industries; Rules Introduced	3/8/24
HI HB 849	Prohibits a pet store operator from selling a dog, cat, or rabbit unless the dog, cat, or rabbit was obtained from certain humane sources.		Carry over to '24
IL HB 4446	Crim Cd-Dangerous Animal-Defin Amends provisions of the Criminal Code of 2012 making it an offense to keep a dangerous animal, with specified exceptions. In the definition of "dangerous animal", includes a serval, caracal, kangaroo, and wallaby and any hybrid, intergrade, or cross of a listed dangerous animal.	1/11/24: Filed with the Clerk by Rep. Daniel Didech 1/15/24: First Reading Referred to Rules Committee	5/24/24
IN HB 1412	Canine standard of care. Sets forth regulations concerning the retail sale of dogs. Requires retail pet stores, animal care facilities, and animal rescue operations to register with the board of animal health. Establishes mandatory disclosures and warranties for a retail pet store selling dogs. Establishes a random inspection program for commercial dog breeders, commercial dog brokers, and retail pet stores beginning July 1, 2025. Voids local ordinances prohibiting the sale of dogs at retail pet stores.	1/10/24: Coauthored by Representatives Aylesworth and Morris Authored by Representative Baird First reading: referred to Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development	3/14/24
KY SB 41	Create a new section of KRS Chapter 258 to define "animal shelter," "breeder," "broker," and "retail pet shop"; prohibit retail pet shops from selling dogs or cats; allow retail pet shops to collaborate with animal shelters to showcase dogs or cats; require retail pet shops to maintain records documenting the source of each dog or cat it provides space to showcase for at least one year; prohibit the sale or transfer of ownership of a dog or cat in a publicly	1/1/24: introduced in Senate to Committee on Committees (S) 01/04/24: to Agriculture (S)	4/15/24

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	accessible space; amend KRS 258.990 to include a penalty for retail pet shop operators who violate this Act.		
MD HB 379	Wildlife - Traveling Animal Acts - Prohibition Prohibiting a person from allowing for the participation of a bear, a cougar, an elephant, a jaguar, a leopard, excluding a clouded leopard, a lion, a nonhuman primate, a tiger, or a hybrid of any of these animals in a traveling animal act; and providing a civil penalty of \$2,000 per violation.	1/16/24: First Reading Environment and Transportation Environment and Transportation Committee - Bill Hearing House Environment & Transportation Committee • MD House House Office Building, Room 250, Annapolis, MD Feb 14, 2024 at 1:00 pm	4/8/24
MD SB 157	Domestic Animals - Penalties for Abandonment and Microchip Requirements for Dogs Increasing the penalties by including a term of imprisonment of up to 90 days and a fine not to exceed \$1,000 or both for abandoning a domestic animal in certain locations; establishing requirements for the microchipping of dogs on a transfer of ownership and for the management of information relating to dogs with implanted microchips; authorizing the governing body of a county to establish reasonable penalties for a violation of the Act; and applying the Act prospectively.	10/22/23: Pre-filed 01/09/24: First Reading Judicial Proceedings	4/8/24
MA H 747	An Act relative to the sale of dogs and cats in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts	2/15/23: Referred to the committee on Environment and Natural Resources Senate concurred HEARING Joint Committee on Environment and Natural Resources • MA Hearing scheduled for 11/08/2023 from 01:00 PM-05:00 PM in A-2	7/31/24
MA H 801	An Act relative to dogs brought into the Commonwealth by animal rescue organizations	2/15/23: Referred to the committee on Environment and Natural Resources Senate concurred HEARING Joint Committee on Environment and Natural Resources • MA Hearing scheduled for 11/08/2023 from 01:00 PM-05:00 PM in A-2	7/31/24
MA H 826 MA S 550 MA S 549	An Act banning the retail sale of dogs, cats, and rabbits in new pet shops	2/15/23: Referred to the committee on Environment and Natural Resources Senate concurred HEARING Joint Committee on Environment and Natural Resources • MA Hearing scheduled for 11/08/2023 from 01:00 PM-05:00 PM in A-2	7/31/24

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MA H 3245	<p>An Act relative to the use of elephants, big cats, primates, giraffes, and bears in traveling exhibits and shows</p> <p>By Representatives Fiola of Fall River and Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3245) of Carole A. Fiola, Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and others relative to the use of elephants, big cats, primates, giraffes, and bears in traveling exhibits and shows. Tourism, Arts and Cultural Development.</p>	<p>02/16/2023: Referred to the committee on Tourism, Arts and Cultural Development</p> <p>02/16/2023: Senate concurred</p> <p>07/14/2023: Hearing scheduled for 07/24/2023 from 10:00 AM-01:00 PM in A-1</p> <p>HEARING</p> <p>Joint Committee on Tourism, Arts and Cultural Development</p> <p>Traveling Animal Shows - Joint Committee on Tourism, Arts and Cultural Development</p> <p>The Joint Committee on Tourism, Arts and Cultural Development is holding a public bill hearing on July 24th at 10am. Both in-person and virtual testimony will be heard at the discretion of the chairs. The purpose of this meeting is to provide interested members of the public an opportunity to provide input to the Committee on the following pieces of legislation related to Traveling animal shows as they pertain to the Tourism, Arts and Cultural sectors. To submit written testimony, please email testimony to Derek.Dunlea@mahouse.gov and Gabrielle.Hanson@masenate.gov with the subject line "Written Testimony – TACD 7/24/23". To provide oral testimony, please fill out this form https://forms.office.com/g/iKyTzUCYAh by 10am on July 21st. Please be advised that the schedule and agenda are subject to change at the discretion of the Chairs. If you have any questions or concerns about this hearing you may contact Derek Dunlea or Gabrielle Hanson at Derek.Dunlea@mahouse.gov and Gabrielle.Hanson@masenate.gov.</p> <p>Date: 07/24/2023</p> <p>Time: 9:00 AM -05:00</p> <p>Location: A-1 and Virtual</p>	7/31/24
MA S 190	<p>An Act prohibiting inhumane feline declawing</p>	<p>02/15/23: Referred to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure</p> <p>House concurred</p> <p>06/14/23: Hearing scheduled for 06/26/2023 from 01:00 PM-04:00 PM in B-2</p> <p>10/18/23: Bill reported favorably by committee and referred to the committee on Senate Ways and Means</p> <p>1/17/24: Read second</p> <p>New draft substituted, see S2552</p>	7/31/24
MA S 491	<p>An Act relative to creating an animal advisory board to the Massachusetts Department of Agriculture</p> <p>By Ms. Gobi, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 491) of Anne M. Gobi and Kimberly N. Ferguson for legislation relative to creating an animal advisory board to the Massachusetts Department of Agriculture. Environment and Natural Resources.</p>	<p>02/16/23: Referred to the committee on Environment and Natural Resources</p> <p>02/16/23: House concurred</p> <p>04/13/23: Discharged to the committee on Agriculture</p> <p>04/18/23: House concurred</p> <p>05/05/23: Hearing scheduled for 05/15/2023 from 11:00 AM-01:00 PM in Gardner Auditorium</p>	7/31/24

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MA S 2189	An Act relative to the use of elephants, big cats, primates, giraffes, and bears in traveling exhibits and shows By Mr. Gomez, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2189) of Adam Gomez, Vanna Howard, Michael O. Moore, Thomas M. Stanley and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to the use of elephants, big cats, primates, giraffes, and bears in traveling exhibits and shows. Tourism, Arts and Cultural Development.	02/16/2023: Referred to the committee on Tourism, Arts and Cultural Development 02/16/2023: Senate concurred 07/14/2023: Hearing scheduled for 07/24/2023 from 10:00 AM-01:00 PM in A-1	7/31/24
MA S 2197	An Act relative to the use of elephants, big cats, primates, giraffes, and bears in traveling exhibits and shows By Mr. Tarr, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2197) of Bruce E. Tarr, Edward J. Kennedy, Jack Patrick Lewis, Vanna Howard and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to the use of elephants, big cats, primates, giraffes, and bears in traveling exhibits and shows. Tourism, Arts and Cultural Development.	02/16/2023: Referred to the committee on Tourism, Arts and Cultural Development 02/16/2023: Senate concurred 07/14/2023: Hearing scheduled for 07/24/2023 from 10:00 AM-01:00 PM in A-1	7/31/24
MA S 2552	An Act prohibiting inhumane feline declawing The committee on Senate Ways and Means, to whom was referred the Senate Bill prohibiting inhumane feline declawing (Senate, No. 190),- reports, recommending that the same ought to pass with an amendment substituting a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 2552).		
MI SB 683	Animals: dangerous; potentially dangerous dogs and dangerous dogs in dangerous animals act; provide for.	1/10/24: INTRODUCED BY SENATOR SEAN MCCANN REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES AND AGRICULTURE	12/31/24
MO HB 2163	Animals Modifies provisions relating to animals Breed specific legislation and zoonotic disease	01/01/24: Prefiled (H) 01/02/24: Read First Time (H) 01/03/24: Read Second Time (H)	5/17/24
MO HB 2265	Pet Shop Legislation Modifies provisions relating to pet shop operations	01/03/24: Introduced and Read First Time (H) 01/04/24: Read Second Time (H) 01/10/24: Referred: Agriculture Policy(H)	5/17/24
MO HB 2450	UNLAWFUL DOG TETHERING OR CHAINING Establishes the offense of unlawful dog tethering or chaining	1/16/24: Introduced and Read First Time (H) 1/17/24: Read Second Time (H)	5/17/24
MO SB 937	Creates provisions related to pet shops and animal dealers	11/30/23: Prefiled	5/17/24

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NE LB 1142	Require and restrict certain actions of any animal control facility, animal rescue, animal shelter, or rabies control authority	1/10/24: Date of introduction 1/15/24: Referred to Agriculture Committee 1/17/24: Notice of hearing for January 30, 2024 Agriculture Committee on Agriculture • NE Room 2102 Jan 30, 2024 at 1:30 pm	4/18/24
NH HB 1182	adding certain equine practices to the definition of animal cruelty.	11/30/23: To Be Introduced 01/03/2024 and referred to Environment and Agriculture Public Hearing: 01/16/2024 01:00 pm LOB 301-303 Full Committee Work Session: 01/31/2024 01:00 pm LOB 301-303	6/28/24
NH HB 1325	relative to allowing private ownership of small tailed monkeys, raccoons, foxes, otters, skunks, and kangaroos.	To Be Introduced 01/03/2024 and referred to Environment and Agriculture HJ 1	6/28/24
NH HB 1501	repealing the requirement to register dogs annually.	To Be Introduced 01/03/2024 and referred to Environment and Agriculture HJ 1	6/28/24
NH HB 1680	relative to prohibiting the sale of dogs and cats by retail pet shops.	To Be Introduced 01/03/2024 and referred to Environment and Agriculture HJ 1 Public Hearing: 01/16/2024 02:00 pm LOB 301-303 Full Committee Work Session: 01/31/2024 01:00 pm LOB 301-303	6/28/24
NH SB 541	relative to retail pet stores.	Hearing: 01/04/2024 Room 103, SH, 09:45 am; SC 49	6/28/24
NH SB 587	relative to animals brought into this state.	To Be Introduced 01/03/2024 and Referred to Energy and Natural Resources; SJ 1 Hearing: 01/09/2024, Room 103, SH, 09:45 am; SC 1 1/15/24: Committee Report: Ought to Pass with Amendment # 2024-0152s, 01/18/2024, Vote 4-0; SC 3A 1/17/24: Committee Amendment # 2024-0152s , AA, VV; 01/18/2024; SJ 2 Ought to Pass with Amendment 2024-0152s, MA, VV; OT3rdg; 01/18/2024; SJ 2	6/28/24
NJ A 129	Establishes procedures for seizure, care, and forfeiture of animals involved in animal cruelty violations.		12/31/24
NJ A 365	Prohibits cropping or altering the tail or ears of dog; establishes as animal cruelty offense.		12/31/24
NJ A 1422	"Chiara's Law"; prohibits euthanizing animals in shelters or pounds except for health or safety reasons.		12/31/24

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NJ A 1780	Requires registry of animal rescue organizations; requires animal rescue, pet shop, shelter, or pound notify person adopting or purchasing animal of animal's behavioral and medical history; designated as "Rocky's Law."		12/31/24
NJ S 67	Requires licensure of dog trainers.	01/08/24: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Commerce Committee	12/31/24
NJ S 261	Provides for spaying and neutering stray or feral cats and establishes fund therefor; designated as "Compassion for Community Cats Law."	01/08/24: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Environment and Energy Committee	12/31/24
NJ S 297	Prohibits sale of cats, dogs, or rabbit by pet shops; prohibits certain transactions between animal shelters, pounds, animal rescue organizations, and animal breeders or brokers; repeals "Pet Purchase Protection Act."	01/08/24: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Economic Growth Committee	12/31/24
NJ S 706	Authorizes veterinarians to transfer ownership of animals rather than euthanizing them, under certain circumstances.	01/05/24: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Economic Growth Committee	12/31/24
NJ S 1406	Prohibits surgical declawing of cats and other animals.	01/08/24: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Environment and Energy Committee	12/31/24
NJ S 1657	Criminalizes impounding cat or dog in shelter, pound, or kennel without consent of other party.	01/08/24: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Environment and Energy Committee	12/31/24
NJ S 2045	Requires certain animals used in testing to be offered for adoption; requires establishment of procedures for assessment and disposition of animals; establishes penalties for noncompliance.	01/08/24: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Economic Growth Committee	12/31/24
NY A 400	Relates to the sale of birds by pet dealers when such birds have not yet been fully weaned. Memorandum	1/8/23: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE 1/2/24: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE	6/6/24
NY A 506	Relates to prohibitions on circus performances; prohibits circuses from conducting shows or other performances in the state for two years where a circus has been found to be in violation or in non-compliance with the Animal Welfare Act of 1966. Memorandum	1/8/23: REFERRED TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT 1/2/24: REFERRED TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	6/6/24

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NY A 575	Prohibits certain acts in rodeos; imposes penalties for the violation of such acts. Memorandum	1/8/23: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE 1/2/24: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE	6/6/24
NY A 760	Limits the animal dealers that are exempt under the provisions of article 7 of the agriculture and markets law relating to the licensing, identification and control of dogs; applies provisions to dealers licensed as a class A dealer under the Federal Animal Welfare Act that sells dogs exclusively to USDA registered research facilities.	1/10/23: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE 1/2/24: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE	6/6/24
NY A 768	Includes wildlife animals as those subject to the animal cruelty provisions of the agriculture and markets law.	1/10/23: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE 5/17/23: AMEND AND RECOMMIT TO AGRICULTURE PRINT NUMBER 768A 5/22/23: REPORTED REFERRED TO CODES 1/2/24: REFERRED TO CODES	6/6/24
NY A 790	Relates to prohibitions on fur products; prohibits the manufacture, sale, display for sale, trade, giving, donating, or otherwise distributing of a fur product by any means in the state beginning twenty-four months after this act becomes a law. Memorandum	1/10/23: REFERRED TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT 1/2/24: REFERRED TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	6/6/24
NY A 2001	Relates to the registration and regulation of animal breeders; requires each to be licensed; creates a breeder licensing fund; exempts not-for-profit organizations.	1/22/23: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE 1/2/24: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE	6/6/24
NY A 3545	Prohibits the administration of psychoactive drugs to an animal in a zoo in order to allow another animal to procreate with such animal. Memorandum	2/2/23: REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION 1/2/24: REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION	6/6/24
NY A 3669	Relates to licensed pet breeders and brokers; requires a pet dealer to only purchase a dog or cat for resale from a breeder or broker licensed by the United States department of agriculture or exempt from United States department of agriculture licensing per United States department of agriculture regulation, and such breeder or broker shall be in possession of all other licenses required for a breeder or broker by the state in which such breeder or broker is located.	2/2/23: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE 1/2/24: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE	6/6/24

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NY A 3714	Prohibits ear clipping and tail docking of dogs unless deemed medically necessary to protect the life or health of the dog. Memorandum	2/6/23: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE 1/2/24: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE	6/6/24
NY A 3810	Prohibits the taking of zoo, petting zoo, carnival or circus animals; provides that violations shall be punishable by a fine of not less than five hundred dollars nor more than two thousand dollars. Memorandum	2/7/23: REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION 1/2/24: REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION	6/6/24
NY A 4005	Prohibits the participation of certain animals in traveling animal acts; prohibits the department of environmental conservation from issuing permits or licenses allowing participation of certain animals in traveling animal acts; excludes certain permanent performing institutions; imposes a civil penalty not to exceed \$1000 for a violation. Memorandum	2/7/23: REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION 5/7/23: AMEND (T) AND RECOMMIT TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION PRINT NUMBER 4005A 5/22/23: REPORTED REFERRED TO CODES 1/2/24: REFERRED TO CODES	6/6/24
NY A 4058	Prohibits contracts for the purchase or financing of a dog, cat, or rabbit from including provisions allowing repossession of the animal; provides that such provisions apply to the sale of dogs, cats and rabbits through an online website. Memorandum	2/8/23: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE 5/16/23: AMEND (T) AND RECOMMIT TO AGRICULTURE PRINT NUMBER 4058 5/22/23: REPORTED REFERRED TO CODES 1/2/24: REFERRED TO CODES	6/6/24
NY A 5778	Excludes dogs, cats and any other domesticated animals from the definition of "wildlife". Memorandum	3/22/23: REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION 1/2/24: REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION	6/6/24
NY A 5854	Relates to dog tethering and restraint restrictions and outdoor shelter requirements for dogs that are left outdoors. Memorandum	3/22/23: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE 4/12/23: AMEND AND RECOMMIT TO AGRICULTURE PRINT NUMBER 5854A 1/2/24: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE	6/6/24
NY A 6357	Requires animal shelters to annually report on intake and disposition of animals and the number of animals turned away by such shelters; requires shelters to submit such reports to the department of agriculture and markets; requires such department to post the reports on their website.	4/4/23: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE 1/2/24: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE	6/6/24

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	Memorandum		
NY A 6836	Provides that "wild animal" means indigenous, non-domesticated animals native to the country in which they live and "exotic animal" means a wild animal with an origin of a different continent; adds certain wild or exotic animals to the list of non-companion animals. Memorandum	5/7/23: REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION 5/18/23: AMEND AND RECOMMIT TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION PRINT NUMBER 6836A 1/2/24: REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION	6/6/24
NY A 6863	Relates to the sale of dogs, cats and rabbits by pet dealers in the state and those that sell such animals through an online platform. Memorandum	5/7/23: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE 1/2/24: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE	6/6/24
NY A 7624	Prohibits the use of primates in entertainment acts; prohibits the department of environmental conservation for issuing any license or permit that would authorize the use of a primate in an entertainment act. Memorandum	5/24/23: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE 1/2/24: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE	6/6/24
NY A 7684	Prohibits the operation of horse drawn cabs in the city of New York; defines the circumstances under which sale or disposal of a horse shall be deemed humane. Memorandum	6/4/23: REFERRED TO CITIES 1/2/24: REFERRED TO CITIES	6/6/24
NY A 7841	Prohibits the confinement of farm animals in a cruel manner; provides that anyone who violates such cruel confinement prohibitions shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.		
NY S 142	Restricts the performance of surgical devocalization procedures on dogs and cats.	1/3/23: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE 4/24/23: 1ST REPORT CAL.673 4/25/23: 2ND REPORT CAL. 4/30/23: ADVANCED TO THIRD READING 5/9/23: PASSED SENATE DELIVERED TO ASSEMBLY REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE 1/2/24: DIED IN ASSEMBLY RETURNED TO SENATE REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE	6/6/24
NY S 460	Includes wildlife animals as those subject to the animal cruelty provisions of the agriculture and markets law.	1/3/23: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE 5/21/23: AMEND AND RECOMMIT TO AGRICULTURE	6/6/24

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	Memorandum	PRINT NUMBER 460A 1/2/24: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE	
NY S 1249	Increases the penalties for owners of dangerous dogs and subjects certain dangerous dog owners to further investigation. Memorandum	1/10/23: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE 1/2/24: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE	6/6/24
NY S 1565	Requires pet dealers and pet shops to provide certain breeder and health information to purchasers of animals. Memorandum	1/11/23: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE 1/2/24: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE	6/6/24
NY S 1659	Relates to the creation of a court appointed advocate for animals. Memorandum	1/12/23: REFERRED TO JUDICIARY 1/2/24: REFERRED TO JUDICIARY	6/6/24
NY S 1949	Relates to prohibiting the sale, trade or bartering or possession with intent to sell, trade or barter of certain wild animals or wild animal products and to the penalties imposed therefor. Memorandum	1/16/23: REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION 1/2/24: REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION	6/6/24
NY S 3279	Relates to prohibitions on fur products; prohibits the manufacture, sale, display for sale, trade, giving, donating, or otherwise distributing of a fur product by any means in the state beginning twenty-four months after this act becomes a law.	1/29/23: REFERRED TO CONSUMER PROTECTION 1/2/24: REFERRED TO CONSUMER PROTECTION	6/6/24
NY S 4108	Relates to the registration and regulation of animal breeders; requires each to be licensed; creates a breeder licensing fund; exempts not-for-profit organizations. Memorandum	2/2/23: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE 1/2/24: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE	6/6/24
NY S 4363	Prohibits the issuance of permits authorizing the use of wild animals in circuses or traveling animal acts; excepts a wildlife sanctuary and a facility accredited by the Association of Zoos and Aquariums. Memorandum	2/6/23: REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION 1/2/24: REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION	6/6/24
NY S 5674	Prohibits ear clipping and tail docking of dogs unless deemed medically necessary to protect the life or health of the dog. Memorandum	3/12/23: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE 1/2/24: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE	6/6/24

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NY S 5898	Prohibits the administration of psychoactive drugs to an animal in a zoo in order to allow another animal to procreate with such animal. Memorandum	3/21/23: REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION 1/2/24: REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION	6/6/24
NY S 6211	Provides that "wild animal" means indigenous, non-domesticated animals native to the country in which they live and "exotic animal" means a wild animal with an origin of a different continent; adds certain wild or exotic animals to the list of non-companion animals.	4/16/23: 1ST REPORT CAL.614 4/17/23: 2ND REPORT CAL. 4/18/23: ADVANCED TO THIRD READING 5/7/23: AMENDED ON THIRD READING 6211B 5/15/23: PASSED SENATE DELIVERED TO ASSEMBLY REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION 1/2/24: DIED IN ASSEMBLY RETURNED TO SENATE REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION	6/6/24
NY S 6905	Prohibits the use of primates in entertainment acts; prohibits the department of environmental conservation for issuing any license or permit that would authorize the use of a primate in an entertainment act. Memorandum	5/14/23: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE 1/2/24: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE	6/6/24
PA HB 526	An Act amending the act of December 7, 1982 (P.L.784, No.225), known as the Dog Law, in licenses, tags and kennels, further providing for requirements for kennels.	03/17/23: Referred to AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS	11/30/24
PA HB 846	An Act amending the act of December 7, 1982 (P.L.784, No.225), known as the Dog Law, in short title and definitions, further providing for definitions; in licenses, tags and kennels, further providing for kennels; and imposing penalties.	04/10/23: Referred to AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS	11/30/24
PA HB 1318	An Act providing for prohibition on sale of dogs and cats bred by certain persons, for duty of persons, kennels and animal testing facilities to offer dogs and cats for adoption and for whistleblower protection; and imposing penalties.	6/4/23: Referred to AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS	11/30/24
PA HB 1322	An Act amending the act of December 7, 1982 (P.L.784, No.225), known as the Dog Law	6/4/23: Referred to AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS	11/30/24

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PA HB 1451	An Act amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in special licenses and permits, further providing for definitions, for exotic wildlife possession permits, for menagerie permits and for exclusions.	06/20/2023: Referred to GAME AND FISHERIES HEARING House Game & Fisheries Committee Voting meeting on HB 493, HB 1089, HB 1409, and HB 1451. Date: 06/28/2023 Time: 8:00 AM -05:00 Location: Room 523 Irvis OfficeLIVE STREAMED 6/27/23: Reported as committed First consideration Re-committed to RULES 9/21/23: Re-reported as committed Laid on the table Removed from table Re-committed to RULES 10/29/23: Re-reported as committed Second consideration Re-committed to APPROPRIATIONS 10/30/23: Re-reported as committed 11/12/23: Third consideration and final passage 11/20/23: Referred to GAME AND FISHERIES	11/30/24
PA SB 701	An Act providing for prohibition on sale of dogs and cats bred by certain persons, for duty of persons, kennels and animal testing facilities to offer dogs and cats for adoption and for whistleblower protection; and imposing penalties.	05/15/23: Referred to AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS	11/30/24
PA SB 785	An Act establishing the Animal Welfare Board; and providing for its powers and duties.	6/13/23: Referred to AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS	11/30/24
RI HB 7052	An Act Relating To Animals And Animal Husbandry -- Cruelty To Animals (Prohibits The Declawing Of Cats By Any Surgical Procedure To Amputate Or Modify A Portion Of A Cat'S Paw In Order To Remove The Cat'S Claws. Does Not Apply To Any Procedure Performed For A Therapeutic Purpose.)	01/04/24: Introduced, referred to House Judiciary	6/30/24
RI SB 2007	An Act Relating To Animals And Animal Husbandry -- Cruelty To Animals (Prohibits The Declawing Of Cats By Any Surgical Procedure To Amputate Or Modify A Portion Of A Cat'S Paw In Order To Remove The Cat'S Claws. Does Not Apply To Any Procedure Performed For A Therapeutic Purpose.)	01/09/24: Introduced, referred to Senate Environment and Agriculture	6/30/24

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SC H 4874	<p>Captive Wildlife</p> <p>A Bill To Amend The South Carolina Code Of Laws By Adding Chapter 17 To Title 50 So As To Regulate Captive Wildlife By Defining Terms, Outlining The Permitting Process, Listing Exceptions, And Providing Penalties For Violations, Among Other Things; By Amending Section 50-16-40, Relating To Exceptions To The Permit Requirement For Wildlife Imported For Exhibition Purposes, So As To Limit The Exceptions; And By Repealing Section 50-11-1180 Relating To The Authority Of The Department To Issue Permits To Collect Protected Wildlife For Scientific Or Propagating Purposes.</p>	<p>1/16/24: Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 16)</p> <p>Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs (House Journal-page 16)</p>	5/9/24
VT H 567	An act relating to the sale of dogs, cats, and wolf-hybrids by pet shops		5/9/24
VT H 597	An act relating to the collection, sale, and possession of wildlife	1/2/24: Read First Time and referred to the Committee on [Environment and Energy]	5/9/24
VT H 626	An act relating to animal welfare	01/03/24: Read First Time and referred to the Committee on [Agriculture, Food Resiliency, and Forestry]	5/9/24
VT S 292	An act relating to animal welfare	1/6/24: Read 1st time & referred to Committee on [Government Operations]	5/9/24
VA HB 206	Pet shops; notice of deceased animals; report. Requires pet shops to annually submit a summary of records indicating any time a dog or cat in their possession dies or is euthanized to the State Veterinarian in a format prescribed by him.	01/03/24: House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24 24101924D House: Committee Referral Pending	3/9/24
VA HB 221	Free-Roaming Cat Management Plan; regulations. Directs the Board of Agriculture and Consumer Services to promulgate regulations establishing minimum requirements for a Free-Roaming Cat Management Plan and establish a model plan for localities to reduce and control the population of free-roaming cats and the abandonment of cats for the purpose of reducing the negative impacts of free-roaming cats on public health, wildlife, and the cat population. The bill permits a locality to adopt such plan created by the	01/03/24: House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24 24100334D House: Committee Referral Pending	3/9/24

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	Board and include in such plan any ordinances related to cats that are currently in effect. The bill directs the Board, in consultation with relevant stakeholders, to promulgate such regulations no later than July 31, 2025.		
VA HB 223	Cruelty to animals; possession and ownership of animals. Provides that any person convicted of felony cruelty to animals may be prohibited by the court from possession or ownership of animals for life and that any person convicted of misdemeanor cruelty to animals may be prohibited by the court from possession or ownership of animals for a period of up to five years. Under current law, such prohibition is limited to companion animals and a period equal to the statutory maximum period of incarceration.	01/03/24: House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24 24102092D House: Committee Referral Pending	3/9/24
WA HB 1157	Prohibiting the display of wild or exotic animals for public entertainment or amusement.	01/04/23: Prefiled for introduction. 01/08/23: First reading, referred to Agriculture and Natural Resources. 01/07/24: By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.	3/7/24
WA SB 5148	Prohibiting the display of wild or exotic animals for public entertainment or amusement.	01/04/23: Prefiled for introduction. 01/08/23: First reading, referred to Agriculture, Water, Natural Resources & Parks. 01/07/24: By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.	3/7/24
WA SB 5976	Controlling dogs at large.	01/03/24: Prefiled for introduction. 01/07/24: First reading, referred to Law & Justice.	3/7/24
WA SB 6128	Prohibiting the use of certain animals in traveling animal acts.	01/09/24: First reading, referred to Law & Justice.	3/7/24
WI AB 124	the definition of public zoos and aquariums for purposes of captive wildlife regulations. (FE) An Act to amend 169.01 (28) of the statutes;	03/24/23: Introduced by Representatives Dallman, Swearingen, Brooks, Moses, Murphy, Novak and Tusler; cosponsored by Senators Wanggaard, Ballweg and Felzkowski 03/24/23: Read first time and referred to Committee on Tourism 03/27/23: Fiscal estimate received 09/05/23: Public hearing held 10/03/23: Executive action taken	Carry over '24

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		10/04/23: Report passage recommended by Committee on Tourism, Ayes 7, Noes 4 Referred to committee on Rules	
WI SB 126	the definition of public zoos and aquariums for purposes of captive wildlife regulations.	03/07/23: Introduced by Senators Wanggaard, Ballweg and Felzkowski; cosponsored by Representatives Dallman, Swearingen, Brooks, Moses, Murphy, Novak and Tusler Read first time Referred to Committee on Labor, Regulatory Reform, Veterans and Military Affairs 03/23/23: Fiscal estimate received LINK 08/28/23: Public hearing held	Carry over '24
WI SB 892	preemption of certain local animal ordinances. An Act to create 173.90 of the statutes;	01/04/24: Introduced by Senator Quinn; cosponsored by Representatives Pronschinske, Dallman, Armstrong, Behnke... Read first time and referred to Committee on Agriculture and Tourism	Carry Over '24

Federal Legislation:

US HR 208	Pet Safety and Protection Act of 2023 To amend the Animal Welfare Act to ensure that all dogs and cats used by research facilities are obtained legally	1/08/23: Introduced in House Referred to House Committee on Agriculture	1/3/25
US HR 1184	To amend the Animal Health Protection Act with respect to the importation of live dogs, and for other purposes.	02/23/23: Introduced in House Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture. 03/22/23: Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry.	1/3/25
US HR 1465	Violet's Law	03/08/23: Introduced in House 03/08/23: Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture. 04/04/23: Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry.	1/3/25
US HR 1480	Beagle Brigade Act of 2023	03/09/23: Introduced in House 03/09/23: Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture. 04/05/23: Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry. 05/11/23: Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry Discharged. 05/11/23: Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held. 05/11/23: Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.	1/3/25
US HR 1558	To amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to provide that nonnative species in the United States shall not be treated as	03/10/23: Introduced in House 03/10/23: Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.	1/3/25

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	endangered species or threatened species for purposes of that Act.		
US HR 2742	<p>Fighting Inhumane Gambling and High-Risk Trafficking Act or the FIGHT Act</p> <p>This bill expands protections of animals provided under the Animal Welfare Act, including by prohibiting any (1) broadcasts from international, interstate, or intrastate sources of animal fighting ventures in the United States or U.S. territories; and (2) shipments or transport of certain mature roosters.</p>	<p>04/20/23: Introduced in House</p> <p>04/20/23: Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.</p> <p>05/15/23: Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry.</p>	1/3/25
US HR 2878	<p>To require research facilities that use companion dogs, cats, or rabbits for research purposes and receive funding from the National Institutes of Health to offer such animals for adoption after completion of such research, and for other purposes.</p>	<p>04/25/23: Introduced in House</p> <p>Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.</p>	1/3/25
US HR 2939	<p>To amend the Animal Welfare Act to prohibit the confinement of pregnant pigs, and for other purposes.</p>	<p>04/27/23: Introduced in House</p> <p>04/27/23: Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.</p>	1/3/25
US HR 3783	<p>Mink VIRUS Act</p>	<p>06/01/23: Introduced in House</p> <p>06/01/23: Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.</p> <p>07/10/2023: Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry.</p>	1/3/25
US HR 3859	<p>Animal Welfare Enforcement Improvement Act</p> <p>This bill revises the licensing process of the Department of Agriculture (USDA) for animal dealers and exhibitors to expand USDA's oversight and enforcement of animal welfare requirements.</p> <p>Dealers and exhibitors must apply to USDA for licenses or renewal licenses each year. In order to obtain the licenses or renewals, dealers and exhibitors must meet certain standards for the humane treatment of animals and pass inspections as specified by this bill. USDA may not issue or renew such licenses if the dealers or exhibitors have violated laws relating to animals or if the issuance of the licenses would facilitate the circumvention of state or local laws that</p>	<p>06/06/23: Introduced in House</p> <p>06/06/23: Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.</p> <p>07/28/23: Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry.</p>	1/3/25

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	<p>prohibit the private ownership of certain animals.</p> <p>Further, USDA must suspend the licenses of dealers or exhibitors whose violations present a risk to animal welfare. USDA must revoke the licenses if the violations persist or if the licensees commit multiple violations. Dealers and exhibitors with suspended or revoked licenses may not be (1) granted another license, (2) granted another license through another person or entity, or (3) employed by another licensee to work with animals during the period of the suspension or revocation.</p>		
US HR 3894	To amend the Animal Welfare Act to prohibit commercial greyhound racing, live lure training, and open field coursing, and for other purposes.	6/6/23: Introduced in House Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture. 7/27/23: Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry.	1/3/25
US HR 4922	Lacey Act Amendments To amend title 18, United States Code, to enhance protections against the importation, and transport between States, of injurious species, and for other purposes	Link to USARK info 07/25/23: Introduced in House Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Natural Resources, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.	1/3/25
US HR 5041	To amend the Animal Welfare Act to expand and improve the enforcement capabilities of the Attorney General, and for other purposes.	07/27/23: Introduced in House 07/27/23: Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture. 09/18/23: Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry.	1/3/25
US HR 5504	A bill to require the Director of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to withdraw proposed rules relating to the Endangered Species Act of 1973, and for other purposes.	09/14/23: Introduced in House Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources. 10/23/23: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Wildlife, and Fisheries. HEARING Subcommittee on Water, Wildlife and Fisheries 10/25/23 2:15 EST 1334 LHOB Washington, D.C.	1/3/25
US HR 5897	To amend the Animal Welfare Act to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to establish a program under which the Secretary will award grants to entities for purposes of supporting the capability of such entities to provide care to animals in their care, and for other purposes.	10/05/23: Introduced in House 10/24/23: Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.	1/3/25

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US S 502	A bill to amend the Animal Health Protection Act with respect to the importation of live dogs, and for other purposes.	02/16/23: Introduced in Senate 02/16/23: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.	1/3/25
US S 771	A bill to amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to include a prohibition on the listing of a living nonnative species as a threatened species or an endangered species, and for other purposes.	03/09/23: Introduced in Senate 03/09/23: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.	1/3/25
US S 1529	A bill to amend the Animal Welfare Act to provide for greater protection of roosters, and for other purposes.	05/10/23: Introduced in Senate 05/10/23: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.	1/3/25
US S 1614	Lacey Act Amendments of 2023	Link to USARK info 05/15/23: Introduced in Senate Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.	1/3/25
US S 2395	WILD Act	07/19/23: Introduced in Senate 07/19/23: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works. 07/26/23: Committee on Environment and Public Works. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably. 07/26/23: Committee on Environment and Public Works. Reported by Senator Carper without amendment. Without written report. 07/26/2023: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 179. 12/10/23: By Senator Carper from Committee on Environment and Public Works filed written report. Report No. 118-128.	1/3/25
US S 2555	A bill to amend the Animal Welfare Act to expand and improve the enforcement capabilities of the Attorney General, and for other purposes.	07/27/23: Introduced in Senate 07/27/23: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.	1/3/25
US S 2811	A bill to require the Director of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to withdraw proposed rules relating to the Endangered Species Act of 1973, and for other purposes.	09/13/23: Introduced in Senate Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.	1/3/25
US S 2870	amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to allow certain activities to be conducted with respect to sturgeon held in captivity or in a controlled environment in the United States, and for other purposes.	9/19/23: Introduced in Senate Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.	1/3/25

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Local Ordinances:

Los Angeles, CA	Ban on certain rodeo events, see Protect the Harvest for more details https://protecttheharvest.com/news/critical-call-to-action-to-save-rodeo-in-los-angeles/	<p>Hearing is 12/5/23 Please submit comments via city website https://cityclerk.lacity.org/publiccomment/?cfnumber=20-1575</p> <p>Passed out of committee to full city council vote URGENT: Comments needed ASAP Please use link above to submit comments</p> <p>12/05/23: Council adopted Personnel, Audits and Animal Welfare Committee report dated December 7, 2022 as Amended by Motion 15A (Blumenfield - Rodriguez - Harris-Dawson), subject to reconsideration, pursuant to Council Rule 51. City Attorney report No. 21-0377 and Ordinance dated December 17, 2021 received and file and new Ordinance requested.</p> <p>Amending Motion 15A (Blumenfield - Rodriguez - Harris-Dawson)</p> <p>Report from Personnel, Audits, and Animal Welfare Committee</p>	
Los Angeles, CA	Move Billy, the Asian bull, from the LA Zoo to a sanctuary	Passed out of committee to the full city council	
San Diego, CA	Potential rodeo ban		
NYC, NY	A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to the keeping, restraint, or possession of elephants	Here is the text of the proposed ordinance	
Austin, TX	Ban on public contact with wild animals	<p>Hearing June 12th, USARK has the details https://usark.org/23austin/Proposed language</p> <p>The commission decided to create a working group to work on the ordinance's language so it wouldn't affect businesses that are operating appropriately. Commissioners will revisit this at a later meeting.</p> <p>Passed animal advisory group - to full city council for vote</p>	

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Dallas, TX	Campaign to ban the use of horse drawn carriages in the city	The group, Ban Horse Carriages Dallas, has ramped up activity to get the carriages banned in the city meeting with city council members and holding protests. Hearing in December reignited the push to ban carriages in Downtown Dallas	
San Antonio, TX	Ban on horse drawn carriages	Hearing date has not been announced, please submit opposition Cavalry Group has a letter here	

Regulations State and Federal:

DE Department of Health and Social Services	4501 Regulations For Animals Held In Shelter	Publication Date Jan 01, 2024 Effective Date Jan 11, 2024	
CDC HHS	The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), within the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), announces an extension of the current temporary suspension of the importation into the United States of dogs from high-risk rabies-zoonotic countries (high-risk countries). This suspension includes dogs that have been in any high-risk countries during the previous six months.	The extension of the temporary suspension of the importation of dogs into the United States from high-risk countries will be implemented on February 1, 2023, when the current suspension expires, and will remain in effect through July 31, 2023. https://www.federalregister.gov/d/2023-01688 Extended through July 2024 Summary Rule and Alert	
DoT 2023-24885	Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposals, Submissions, and Approvals; Traveling by Air with Service Animals; Animal Air Transportation Form and Animal Relief Attestation Form Scheduled Publication Date Nov 13, 2023		