

# PENDING LEGISLATION

Thursday, February 22nd, 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
<a href="#">AZ SB 1204</a>	Animal seizure; notification; bond; offense <i>Allows for warrantless search and seizure AND formal rules of evidence do not apply and reliable hearsay is admissible in the postseizure hearing.</i>	1/29/24: Senate First Reading Assigned to Natural Resources, Energy and Water Committee Assigned to Rules Committee 1/30/24: Senate Second Reading	4/20/24
<a href="#">AZ SB 1237</a>	Working animals; restrictions; prohibition <a href="#">Senate Fact Sheet</a>	1/28/24: Senate First Reading Assigned to Natural Resources, Energy and Water Committee Assigned to Rules Committee 1/29/24: Senate Second Reading 2/8/24: Reported do pass out of Natural Resources, Energy and Water Committee 2/11/24: Consent Calendar - Yes Reported proper for consideration out of Rules Committee 2/12/24: Senate Republican Caucus - Yes Senate Democrat Caucus - Yes 2/18/24: COW action PASSED Senate Third Reading 2/19/24: Transmit to House 2/20/24: House First Reading Assigned to Land, Agriculture & Rural Affairs Committee Assigned to Rules Committee HEARING House Committee on Land, Agriculture and Rural Affairs • AZ House HHR 3 Feb 26, 2024 at 2:00 pm	4/20/24
<a href="#">AZ SB 1603</a>	Animal seizure; notification; bond; offense	2/4/24: Senate First Reading Assigned to Natural Resources, Energy and Water Committee Assigned to Rules Committee 2/5/24: Senate Second Reading	4/20/24

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<a href="#">CA AB 2248</a>	Contracts: sales of dogs and cats.	2/7/24: Read first time. To print. 2/8/24: From printer. May be heard in committee March 10.	8/31/24
<a href="#">CA AB 2425</a>	Adoptable animals. Existing law provides that it is the policy of the state that no adoptable animal should be euthanized if it can be adopted into a suitable home. This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to pursue humane outcomes for adoptable animals and to enact subsequent legislation relating to animal welfare for adoptable animals.	2/12/24: Read first time. To print. 2/13/24: From printer. May be heard in committee March 15.	8/31/24
<a href="#">CA SB 921</a>	Animal welfare. Existing law makes it a crime to inflict unnecessary cruelty or to abuse an animal in any manner, including, but not limited to, maliciously and intentionally maiming, mutilating, torturing, or wounding an animal. This bill would additionally make it a crime to otherwise abuse or subject a living animal to needless suffering. The bill would make it a crime for a person to maliciously and intentionally mistreat any animal even if the mistreatment does not cause physical injury. By expanding the scope of a crime, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program. Existing law requires a person who is convicted of specified crimes, including misdemeanor or felony abuse of an animal, who is granted probation to successfully complete counseling. This bill would expand that requirement to require a person convicted of an infraction for abusing an animal to complete counseling. The bill would make failure to complete counseling a misdemeanor. By creating a new crime, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program	1/10/24: Introduced. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment. To print. 1/11/24: From printer. May be acted upon on or after February 11. 2/13/24: Referred to Com. on PUB S.	8/31/24
<a href="#">CA SB 1479</a>	California Agritourism Promotion Act: agritourism civil liability. Existing law provides for the direct marketing of agricultural products, including through certified farmers' markets. Existing law generally provides that everyone is responsible, not only for the result of their willful acts, but also for an injury occasioned to another by that person's want of ordinary care or skill in the management of their property or person, except as specified. This bill would enact the California Agritourism Promotion Act and would define "agritourism activity" as an activity carried out on a farm, ranch, or other rural land	2/15/24: Introduced. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment. To print. 2/19/24: From printer. May be acted upon on or after March 18.	8/31/24

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	<p>whose primary business activity is agriculture or ranching and that allows members of the general public to view, enjoy, and participate in rural activities, as provided. The bill would require an agritourism professional to include a warning notice on signs at the agritourism location and in certain contracts, as specified. The bill would exempt an agritourism professional from civil liability for injury, loss, damage, or death of a participant of an agritourism activity resulting exclusively from an inherent risk of agritourism activity, as defined, unless the agritourism professional fails to include the warning notice in the above-mentioned signs or contracts, commits an act or omission that is grossly negligent or constitutes willful or wanton disregard for the safety of a participant, has actual knowledge or reasonably should have known of an existing dangerous condition on the land, facilities, or equipment and does not make the danger known to a participant, or knowingly permits participants to use facilities or engage in agritourism activities while under the influence of alcohol or drugs. The bill would require the agritourism professional to plead the affirmative defense of assumption of the risk of agritourism activity in order to invoke this privilege of immunity.</p>		
<p><a href="#">CO HB 24-1114</a></p>	<p>Pet Animal Facility Requirements Before Euthanasia The bill requires an animal shelter or a pet animal rescue to notify each animal shelter and pet animal rescue in the state before euthanizing a pet animal so that another animal shelter or pet animal rescue may take possession of the animal if it wants the pet animal. This requirement does not apply to: A pet animal that is irremediably suffering; A dog adjudicated to be dangerous; A dog ordered to be euthanized by a court; or A dog with a history of repeated unprovoked biting prior to the current impound, as documented by an agency charged with enforcing state or local animal laws.(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced.)</p>	<p>1/25/24: Introduced In House - Assigned to Agriculture, Water &amp; Natural Resources</p> <p>HEARING House Committee on Agriculture, Water &amp; Natural Resources HCR 0107 Feb 15, 2024</p>	<p>5/8/24</p>
<p><a href="#">CO SB 24-045</a></p>	<p>Modifications to Sterilization Requirements for Cats &amp; Dogs The "Pet Animal Care and Facilities Act" prohibits any animal shelter or pet animal</p>	<p>1/11/24: Introduced In Senate - Assigned to Agriculture &amp; Natural Resources 1/31/24: Senate Committee on Agriculture &amp; Natural Resources Refer Unamended - Consent Calendar to</p>	<p>5/8/24</p>

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	<p>rescue (facility) from releasing a dog or cat to a prospective owner unless the animal has been sterilized, except in cases in which sterilization would jeopardize the life or health of the dog or cat. A facility in an area with limited access to licensed veterinarians may be granted an exemption from the sterilization requirement by the commissioner of agriculture (commissioner). The bill: Removes the exemption from the sterilization requirement due to the health of the animal; and Prohibits facilities that import unsterilized dogs or cats into the state of Colorado from receiving an exemption from the commissioner.(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced.)</p> <p><a href="#">Fiscal Note</a></p>	<p>Senate Committee of the Whole HEARING Senate Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources SCR 352 Feb 01, 2024 at 1:30 pm 2/5/24: Senate Second Reading Passed - No Amendments 2/6/24: Senate Third Reading Passed - No Amendments Introduced In House - Assigned to Agriculture, Water &amp; Natural Resources</p>	
<p><a href="#">CT SB 132</a></p>	<p>AN ACT CONCERNING DOG RACING. To eliminate various provisions concerning dog racing in this state.</p>	<p>2/14/24: Referred to Joint Committee on General Law 2/15/24: Public Hearing 02/20</p>	<p>5/8/24</p>
<p><a href="#">FL HB 701</a></p>	<p>PET RABBITS Prohibits sale of rabbits in specified locations &amp; 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 &amp; make available specified records; provides for retrieval, return, &amp; placement of abandoned rabbits; authorizes compliance inspections; provides exceptions.</p>	<p>12/03/23: Filed 12/19/23: Referred to Regulatory Reform &amp; Economic Development Subcommitted Referred to Criminal Justice Subcommittee Referred to Commerce Committee Now in Regulatory Reform &amp; Economic Development Subcommittee 01/08/24: 1st Reading</p>	<p>3/8/24</p>
<p><a href="#">FL HB 873</a></p>	<p>Dangerous Dogs</p>	<p>12/12/23: Filed 12/27/23: Referred to Local Administration, Federal Affairs &amp; Special Districts Subcommittee Referred to Agriculture &amp; Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommitted Referred to Judiciary Committee Now in Local Administration, Federal Affairs &amp; Special Districts Subcommittee 01/08/24: 1st Reading 1/22/24: Added to Local Administration, Federal Affairs &amp; Special Districts Subcommittee agenda 1/24/24: Favorable with CS by Local Administration, Federal Affairs &amp; Special Districts Subcommittee Reported out of Local Administration, Federal Affairs &amp; Special Districts Subcommittee Laid on Table under Rule 7.18(a) CS Filed 1/25/24: Referred to Agriculture &amp; Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee Referred to Judiciary Committee Now in Agriculture &amp; Natural Resources Appropriations</p>	<p>3/8/24</p>

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		Subcommittee 1st Reading 1/28/24: Added to Agriculture & Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee agenda 1/30/24: Favorable by Agriculture & Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee Reported out of Agriculture & Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee Now in Judiciary Committee	
<a href="#">FL HB 1033</a>	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
<a href="#">FL SB 1156</a>	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 <a href="#">Committee on Agriculture Hearing</a> Senate Agriculture Committee • FL Senate 301 Senate Building Jan 23, 2024 at 1:00 pm	3/8/24
<a href="#">FL SB 1426</a>	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
<a href="#">FL SB 1478</a>	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
<a href="#">GA HB 1164</a>	Crimes and offenses; offense of criminal trespass involving a wild animal; provide	2/5/24: House Hopper 2/6/24: House First Readers 2/7/24: House Second Readers	3/28/24
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.		5/3/24
<a href="#">HI HB 1682</a>	Relating To Pet Sales. Beginning January 1, 2025, establishes provisions relating to retail pet sales.	1/16/24: Pending introduction. 1/17/24: Introduced and Pass First Reading. 1/23/24: Referred to JHA, referral sheet 1	5/3/24

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	<p>Authorizes retail pet stores to showcase pet animals owned by a nonprofit animal welfare organization.</p>	<p>2/15/24: Bill scheduled to be heard by JHA on Wednesday, 02-21-24 2:00PM in House conference room 325 VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE.  2/20/24: The committee on JHA recommend that the measure be PASSED, WITH AMENDMENTS. The votes were as follows: 10 Ayes: Representative(s) Tarnas, Takayama, Evslin, Ganaden, Holt, Ichiyama, Ilagan, Kong, Miyake, Souza; Ayes with reservations: none; 0 Noes: none; and 0 Excused: none.</p>	
<p><a href="#">HI SB 2120</a></p>	<p>Beginning January 1, 2025, establishes provisions relating to retail pet sales. Authorizes retail pet stores to showcase pet animals owned by a nonprofit animal welfare organization.</p>	<p>1/16/24: Introduced and passed First Reading.  1/17/24: Referred to CPN/AEN, JDC.  2/7/24: The committee(s) on CPN/AEN has scheduled a public hearing on 02-13-24 9:10AM; Conference Room 229 &amp; Videoconference.  2/12/24: The committee(s) on CPN recommend(s) that the measure be PASSED, WITH AMENDMENTS. The votes in CPN were as follows: 3 Aye(s): Senator(s) Keohokalole, Fukunaga, Richards; Aye(s) with reservations: none ; 1 No(es): Senator(s) Awa; and 1 Excused: Senator(s) McKelvey. The committee(s) on AEN recommend(s) that the measure be PASSED, WITH AMENDMENTS. The votes in AEN were as follows: 3 Aye(s): Senator(s) Gabbard, Richards, Rhoads; Aye(s) with reservations: none ; 1 No(es): Senator(s) Awa; and 1 Excused: Senator(s) DeCoite  2/15/24: Reported from CPN/AEN (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2624) with recommendation of passage on Second Reading, as amended (SD 1) and referral to JDC. Report adopted; Passed Second Reading, as amended (SD 1) and referred to JDC.  2/19/24: The committee(s) on JDC will hold a public decision making on 02-28-24 10:00AM; Conference Room 016 &amp; Videoconference.  HEARING  Senate Committee on Judiciary • HI  CR 016 &amp; Videoconference  Feb 28, 2024 at 10:00 am</p>	<p>5/3/24</p>
<p><a href="#">HI SB 2148</a></p>	<p>Relating To Aquarium Fish Permits. Exempts persons engaging in aquaculture research from the aquarium fish permit requirement.</p>	<p>1/17/24: Introduced.  Passed First Reading.  Referred to WTL/AEN, WAM.  1/24/24: The committee(s) on WTL/AEN has scheduled a public hearing on 01-29-24 1:00PM; Conference Room 229 &amp; Videoconference.  1/28/24: The committee(s) on WTL/AEN deferred the measure until 01-31-24 2:15PM; Conference Room 224.  1/30/24: The committee(s) on WTL recommend(s) that the measure be PASSED, WITH AMENDMENTS. The votes in WTL were as follows: 2 Aye(s): Senator(s) Inouye, Chang; Aye(s) with reservations: none ; 2 No(es): Senator(s) Elefante, Fevella; and 1 Excused: Senator(s) McKelvey. The committee on AEN deferred the measure.  The recommendation was not adopted.</p>	<p>5/3/24</p>

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<a href="#">ID S 1302</a>	ANIMALS – Adds to existing law to provide for the protection of working animals.	2/8/24: Introduced; read first time; referred to JR for Printing 2/11/24: Reported Printed; referred to Local Government & Taxation	3/22/24
<a href="#">IL HB 4446</a>	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 2/13/24: Assigned to Judiciary - Criminal Committee HEARING <a href="#">House Judiciary - Criminal Committee</a> Room D-1 Stratton Building Springfield, IL Feb 20, 2024 at 4:00 pm	5/24/24
<a href="#">IN HB 1412</a>	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. <a href="#">Fiscal Note #2</a> <a href="#">House Amendment #4</a>	1/10/24: Coauthored by Representatives Aylesworth and Morris Authored by Representative Baird First reading: referred to Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development 1/22/24: Committee report: amend do pass, adopted 1/25/24: Amendment #1 (Andrade) motion withdrawn voice vote Amendment #3 (Bauer M) prevailed; voice vote Second reading: amended, ordered engrossed 1/28/24: Third reading: passed; Roll Call 70: yeas 59, nays 36 Senate sponsors: Senators Doriot and Leising 1/29/24: Referred to the Senate 2/4/24: First reading: referred to Committee on Agriculture HEARING <a href="#">Senate Agriculture Committee</a> Room 130 Feb 12, 2024 at 10:00 am 2/12/24: Committee report: amend do pass, adopted 2/14/24: Amendment #1 (Qaddoura) failed; Roll Call 151: yeas 10, nays 34 Amendment #2 (Qaddoura) failed; Roll Call 152: yeas 10, nays 34 Second reading: ordered engrossed 2/18/24: Third reading: passed; Roll Call 157: yeas 31, nays 18 2/19/24: Returned to the House with amendments 2/21/24: Motion to concur filed House concurred in Senate amendments; Roll Call 189: yeas 53, nays 34	3/14/24
<a href="#">IA HF 2406</a>	A bill for an act requiring the department of agriculture and land stewardship to employ additional personnel to inspect or monitor commercial establishments where nonagricultural animals are kept, and including effective date provisions.	2/7/24: Introduced, referred to Agriculture. H.J. 02/08	4/16/24



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KS HB 2542	<p><a href="#">Substitute for HB 2542</a> by Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources - Amending the Kansas pet animal act to require the Kansas department of agriculture to maintain records of inspections for not less than five years and removing the requirement that the commissioner only apply federal rules and regulations to United States department of agriculture licensed animal distributors and animal breeders.</p>	<p>1/17/24: Introduced  Referred to Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources  Hearing: Tuesday, February 13, 2024, 3:30 PM Room 112-N  2/20/24: Committee Report recommending substitute bill be passed by Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources</p>	
<a href="#">KY SB 41</a>	<p>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 accessible space; amend KRS 258.990 to include a penalty for retail pet shop operators who violate this Act.</p>	<p>1/1/24: introduced in Senate to Committee on Committees (S)  01/04/24: to Agriculture (S)</p>	4/15/24
<a href="#">KY SB 119</a>	<p>AN ACT relating to animal care. Create new sections of KRS Chapter 525 to define terms; require peace officers and animal control officers to serve notice of seizure of an animal subjected to cruelty; create procedure for seizing agencies to petition a court to order payment of animal care costs by owner; establish penalties; amend KRS 258.215 to require owners to be responsible for cost of care of an impounded animal.  <a href="#">Local Mandate</a></p>	<p>1/21/24: introduced in Senate to Committee on Committees (S)  1/25/24: to Agriculture (S)</p>	4/15/24
<a href="#">KY SB 157</a>	<p>AN ACT relating to the sale of dogs and cats. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 258 to define terms; prohibit retail pet shops from selling dogs or cats unless the animal was obtained from an animal shelter or qualified breeder; prohibit retail pet shops from selling a dog or cat that is less than eight weeks old, or selling a dog or cat to anyone under the age of eighteen; prohibit local governments from passing ordinances that conflict with this Act; amend KRS 258.990 to establish a penalty for a violation.</p>	<p>1/30/24: introduced in Senate to Committee on Committees (S)  2/4/24: to Agriculture (S)  2/12/24: reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar  2/13/24: 2nd reading, to Rules  2/19/24: <a href="#">floor amendment (1) filed</a></p>	4/15/24
<a href="#">MD HB 379</a>	<p>Wildlife - Traveling Animal Acts - Prohibition Prohibiting a person from allowing for the participation of a bear, a cougar, an</p>	<p>1/16/24: First Reading Environment and Transportation</p>	4/8/24



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	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.	<a href="#">Environment and Transportation Committee - Bill Hearing</a> House Environment & Transportation Committee • MD House House Office Building, Room 250, Annapolis, MD Feb 14, 2024 at 1:00 pm 2/14/24: Hearing canceled Hearing 2/14 at 1:15 p.m.	
<a href="#">MD SB 157</a>	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
<a href="#">MD SB 547</a>	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.	1/24/24: First Reading Education, Energy, and the Environment 1/28/24: Hearing 2/13 at 1:00 p.m. <a href="#">Senate Committee on Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee</a> • MD Senate West Miller Senate Building, Room 2, Annapolis, MD Feb 13, 2024 at 1:00 pm	4/8/24
<a href="#">MA H 747</a>	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 <a href="#">Joint Committee on Environment and Natural Resources • MA</a> Hearing scheduled for 11/08/2023 from 01:00 PM-05:00 PM in A-2	7/31/24
<a href="#">MA H 801</a>	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 <a href="#">Joint Committee on Environment and Natural Resources • MA</a> Hearing scheduled for 11/08/2023 from 01:00 PM-05:00 PM in A-2	7/31/24
<a href="#">MA H 826</a> 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	7/31/24

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		<p><u>Joint Committee on Environment and Natural Resources • MA</u>  Hearing scheduled for 11/08/2023 from 01:00 PM-05:00 PM in A-2  2/7/24: Reporting date extended to Friday April 12, 2024, pending concurrence</p>	
<p><a href="#">MA H 3245</a></p>	<p>An Act relative to the use of elephants, big cats, primates, giraffes, and bears in traveling exhibits and shows  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  02/16/2023: Senate concurred  07/14/2023: Hearing scheduled for 07/24/2023 from 10:00 AM-01:00 PM in A-1  HEARING  Joint Committee on Tourism, Arts and Cultural Development  Traveling Animal Shows - Joint Committee on Tourism, Arts and Cultural Development  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 <a href="mailto:Derek.Dunlea@mahouse.gov">Derek.Dunlea@mahouse.gov</a> and <a href="mailto:Gabrielle.Hanson@masenate.gov">Gabrielle.Hanson@masenate.gov</a> with the subject line "Written Testimony – TACD 7/24/23". To provide oral testimony, please fill out this form <a href="https://forms.office.com/g/iKyTzUCYAh">https://forms.office.com/g/iKyTzUCYAh</a> 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 <a href="mailto:Derek.Dunlea@mahouse.gov">Derek.Dunlea@mahouse.gov</a> and <a href="mailto:Gabrielle.Hanson@masenate.gov">Gabrielle.Hanson@masenate.gov</a>.  Date: 07/24/2023  Time: 9:00 AM -05:00  Location: A-1 and Virtual  2/7/24: Accompanied by S2189 and S2197  Bill reported favorably by committee and referred to the committee on House Ways and Means</p>	<p>7/31/24</p>
<p><a href="#">MA S 190</a></p>	<p>An Act prohibiting inhumane feline declawing</p>	<p>02/15/23: Referred to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure  House concurred  06/14/23: Hearing scheduled for 06/26/2023 from 01:00 PM-04:00 PM in B-2  10/18/23: Bill reported favorably by committee and referred to the committee on Senate Ways and Means  1/17/24: Read second  New draft substituted, <a href="#">see S2552</a></p>	<p>7/31/24</p>

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<a href="#">MA S 491</a>	An Act relative to creating an animal advisory board to the Massachusetts Department of Agriculture 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.	02/16/23: Referred to the committee on Environment and Natural Resources 02/16/23: House concurred 04/13/23: Discharged to the committee on Agriculture 04/18/23: House concurred 05/05/23: Hearing scheduled for 05/15/2023 from 11:00 AM-01:00 PM in Gardner Auditorium	7/31/24
<a href="#">MA S 2189</a>	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 2/7/24: Accompanied H3245	7/31/24
<a href="#">MA S 2197</a>	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 2/7/24: Accompanied H3245	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).		
<a href="#">MI SB 683</a>	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
<a href="#">MN HF 3799</a>	Office of Animal Protection established and duties provided, definition of crime of violence expanded, and money appropriated.	2/14/24: Introduction and first reading, referred to Public Safety Finance and Policy	5/20/24
MS SB 2347	Animal facilities; require sterilization of certain dogs and cats.	2/7/24: Referred To Judiciary, Division B;Public Health and Welfare	5/5/24

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<a href="#">MO HB 2163</a>	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
<a href="#">MO HB 2265</a>	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) 1/25/24: Public Hearing Completed (H) 1/31/24: Executive Session Completed (H) HCS Voted Do Pass (H) House Committee on Agriculture Policy • MO HouseHouse Hearing Room 6 Feb 01, 2024 at 9:00 am	5/17/24
<a href="#">MO HB 2450</a>	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
<a href="#">MO HB 2527</a>	Establishes micro shelters for animals and outlines minimum requirements for those shelters to operate	1/24/24: Introduced and Read First Time (H) 1/25/24: Read Second Time (H)	5/17/24
<a href="#">MO HB 2593</a>	INDUCING THE DEATH OF A DOG OR A CAT Establishes provisions governing methods of inducing the death of a dog or a cat	1/30/24: Introduced and Read First Time (H) 1/31/24: Read Second Time (H) 2/7/24: Referred: Emerging Issues(H)	5/17/24
<a href="#">MO HB 2605</a>	INDUCING THE DEATH OF A DOG OR A CAT Establishes provisions governing methods of inducing the death of a dog or a cat	1/30/24: Introduced and Read First Time (H) 1/31/24: Read Second Time (H)	5/17/24
<a href="#">MO SB 2723</a>	Establishes the Healthy Pets Act	2/18/24: Introduced and Read First Time (H) 2/19/24: 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
<a href="#">NE LB 1142</a>	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 <a href="#">Agriculture</a> Committee on Agriculture • NE Room 2102 Jan 30, 2024 at 1:30 pm	4/18/24
<a href="#">NH HB 1182</a>	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  Executive Session: 02/06/2024 10:00 am LOB 301-303	6/28/24

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		2/8/24: Committee Report: Inexpedient to Legislate 02/06/2024 (Vote 17-3; CC)	
<a href="#">NH HB 1325</a>	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 <a href="#">House Committee on Environment and Agriculture</a> Public Hearing: 02/20/2024 02:00 pm LOB 301-303 Full Committee Work Session: 02/21/2024 10:00 am LOB 301-303 2/20/24: Executive Session: 03/05/2024 10:00 am LOB 301-303 <a href="#">House Environment and Agriculture</a>	6/28/24
<a href="#">NH HB 1501</a>	repealing the requirement to register dogs annually.	To Be Introduced 01/03/2024 and referred to Environment and Agriculture HJ 1 <a href="#">House Committee on Environment and Agriculture</a> Public Hearing: 02/21/2024 02:00 pm LOB 301-303 Full Committee Work Session: 03/05/2024 10:45 am LOB 301-303	6/28/24
<a href="#">NH HB 1680</a>	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  1/29/24: Executive Session: 02/06/2024 10:00 am LOB 301-303 2/8/24: Majority Committee Report: Inexpedient to Legislate 02/06/2024 (Vote 14-6; RC) Minority Committee Report: Ought to Pass	6/28/24
<a href="#">NH SB 541</a>	relative to retail pet stores <a href="#">Current version</a>	Hearing: 01/04/2024 Room 103, SH, 09:45 am; SC 49 2/5/24: Committee Report: Referred to Interim Study, 02/15/2024, Vote 4-0; SC 7 2/14/24: Refer to Interim Study, MA, VV; 02/15/2024; SJ 4	6/28/24
<a href="#">NH SB 587</a>	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: <a href="#">Committee Amendment # 2024-0152s</a> , 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

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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
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
<a href="#">NJ S 67</a>	Requires licensure of dog trainers.	01/08/24: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Commerce Committee	12/31/24
<a href="#">NJ S 261</a>	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
<a href="#">NJ S 297</a>	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
<a href="#">NJ S 706</a>	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
<a href="#">NJ S 1406</a>	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
<a href="#">NJ S 1657</a>	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
<a href="#">NJ S 2045</a>	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
<a href="#">NJ S 2511</a>	Prohibits sale of cats, dogs, or rabbits by pet shops; repeals "Pet Purchase Protection Act."	2/4/24: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Economic Growth Committee	12/31/24
<a href="#">NJ S 2784</a>	"Chiara's Law"; prohibits euthanizing animals in shelters or pounds except for health or safety reasons.	2/14/24: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Economic Growth Committee	12/31/24

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<a href="#">NY A 400</a>	Relates to the sale of birds by pet dealers when such birds have not yet been fully weaned. <a href="#">Memorandum</a>	1/8/23: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE 1/2/24: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE	6/6/24
<a href="#">NY A 506</a>	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. <a href="#">Memorandum</a>	1/8/23: REFERRED TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT 1/2/24: REFERRED TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	6/6/24
<a href="#">NY A 575</a>	Prohibits certain acts in rodeos; imposes penalties for the violation of such acts. <a href="#">Memorandum</a>	1/8/23: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE 1/2/24: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE	6/6/24
<a href="#">NY A 760</a>	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
<a href="#">NY A 768</a>	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
<a href="#">NY A 790</a>	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. <a href="#">Memorandum</a>	1/10/23: REFERRED TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT 1/2/24: REFERRED TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	6/6/24
<a href="#">NY A 2001</a>	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
<a href="#">NY A 3545</a>	Prohibits the administration of psychoactive drugs to an animal in a zoo in order to allow another animal to procreate with such animal.	2/2/23: REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION 1/2/24: REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION	6/6/24



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	<a href="#">Memorandum</a>		
<a href="#">NY A 3669</a>	<p>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.</p> <p><a href="#">Memorandum</a></p>	<p>2/2/23: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE  1/2/24: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE</p>	6/6/24
<a href="#">NY A 3714</a>	<p>Prohibits ear clipping and tail docking of dogs unless deemed medically necessary to protect the life or health of the dog.</p> <p><a href="#">Memorandum</a></p>	<p>2/6/23: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE  1/2/24: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE</p>	6/6/24
<a href="#">NY A 3810</a>	<p>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.</p> <p><a href="#">Memorandum</a></p>	<p>2/7/23: REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION  1/2/24: REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION</p>	6/6/24
<a href="#">NY A 4005</a>	<p>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.</p> <p><a href="#">Memorandum</a></p>	<p>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</p>	6/6/24
<a href="#">NY A 4058</a>	<p>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.</p> <p><a href="#">Memorandum</a></p>	<p>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</p>	6/6/24
<a href="#">NY A 5778</a>	<p>Excludes dogs, cats and any other domesticated animals from the definition of "wildlife".</p>	<p>3/22/23: REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION</p>	6/6/24

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	<a href="#">Memorandum</a>	1/2/24: REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION	
<a href="#">NY A 5854</a>	Relates to dog tethering and restraint restrictions and outdoor shelter requirements for dogs that are left outdoors. <a href="#">Memorandum</a>	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
<a href="#">NY A 6357</a>	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. <a href="#">Memorandum</a>	4/4/23: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE 1/2/24: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE	6/6/24
<a href="#">NY A 6836</a>	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. <a href="#">Memorandum</a>	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
<a href="#">NY A 6863</a>	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. <a href="#">Memorandum</a>	5/7/23: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE 1/2/24: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE	6/6/24
<a href="#">NY A 7624</a>	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. <a href="#">Memorandum</a>	5/24/23: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE 1/2/24: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE	6/6/24
<a href="#">NY A 7684</a>	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. <a href="#">Memorandum</a>	6/4/23: REFERRED TO CITIES 1/2/24: REFERRED TO CITIES	6/6/24
<a href="#">NY A 7841</a>	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.		

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<a href="#">NY S 142</a>	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
<a href="#">NY S 460</a>	Includes wildlife animals as those subject to the animal cruelty provisions of the agriculture and markets law. <a href="#">Memorandum</a>	1/3/23: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE 5/21/23: AMEND AND RECOMMIT TO AGRICULTURE PRINT NUMBER 460A 1/2/24: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE	6/6/24
<a href="#">NY S 1249</a>	Increases the penalties for owners of dangerous dogs and subjects certain dangerous dog owners to further investigation. <a href="#">Memorandum</a>	1/10/23: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE 1/2/24: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE	6/6/24
<a href="#">NY S 1565</a>	Requires pet dealers and pet shops to provide certain breeder and health information to purchasers of animals. <a href="#">Memorandum</a>	1/11/23: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE 1/2/24: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE	6/6/24
<a href="#">NY S 1659</a>	Relates to the creation of a court appointed advocate for animals. <a href="#">Memorandum</a>	1/12/23: REFERRED TO JUDICIARY 1/2/24: REFERRED TO JUDICIARY	6/6/24
<a href="#">NY S 1949</a>	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. <a href="#">Memorandum</a>	1/16/23: REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION 1/2/24: REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION	6/6/24
<a href="#">NY S 3279</a>	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
<a href="#">NY S 4108</a>	Relates to the registration and regulation of animal breeders; requires each to be licensed; creates a breeder licensing fund; exempts not-for-profit organizations. <a href="#">Memorandum</a>	2/2/23: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE 1/2/24: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE	6/6/24

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<a href="#">NY S 4363</a>	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. <a href="#">Memorandum</a>	2/6/23: REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION 1/2/24: REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION 2/20/24: AMEND (T) AND RECOMMIT TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION PRINT NUMBER <a href="#">4363A</a>	6/6/24
<a href="#">NY S 5674</a>	Prohibits ear clipping and tail docking of dogs unless deemed medically necessary to protect the life or health of the dog. <a href="#">Memorandum</a>	3/12/23: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE <b>1/2/24: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE</b>	6/6/24
<a href="#">NY S 5898</a>	Prohibits the administration of psychoactive drugs to an animal in a zoo in order to allow another animal to procreate with such animal. <a href="#">Memorandum</a>	3/21/23: REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION <b>1/2/24: REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION</b>	6/6/24
<a href="#">NY S 6211</a>	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 <b>1/2/24: DIED IN ASSEMBLY RETURNED TO SENATE REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION</b>	6/6/24
<a href="#">NY S 6905</a>	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. <a href="#">Memorandum</a>	5/14/23: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE <b>1/2/24: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE</b>	6/6/24
<a href="#">PA HB 526</a>	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.	<b>03/17/23: Referred to AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS</b>	11/30/24
<a href="#">PA HB 846</a>	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.	<b>04/10/23: Referred to AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS</b>	11/30/24

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<a href="#">PA HB 1318</a>	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
<a href="#">PA HB 1322</a>	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
<a href="#">PA HB 1451</a>	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
<a href="#">PA SB 701</a>	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
<a href="#">PA SB 785</a>	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
<a href="#">RI HB 7052</a>	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	01/04/24: Introduced, referred to House Judiciary Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (02/01/2024) 2/1/24: Committee recommended measure be held for further study	6/30/24

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	Procedure Performed For A Therapeutic Purpose.)		
<a href="#">RI HB 7639</a>	An Act Relating To Animals And Animal Husbandry -- Cruelty To Animals -- Animals As Sentient Beings Act (Classifies Animals As Sentient Beings, Not Property, Capable Of Experiencing Pain, Stress, And Fear.)	2/14/24: Introduced, referred to House Judiciary	6/30/24
<a href="#">RI SB 2007</a>	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
<a href="#">SC H 4874</a>	Captive Wildlife 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.	1/16/24: Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 16) Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs (House Journal-page 16)	5/9/24
<a href="#">TN SB 2478</a>	Animal Cruelty and Abuse - As introduced, prohibits the department of agriculture or any other state or local department or agency from entering private property without probable cause to believe that a criminal offense has occurred or is occurring, the consent of the property owner, a warrant, or a recognized warrant exception; requires a member of a society incorporated for the prevention of cruelty to animals to notify the appropriate local law enforcement agency of the member's intent to make an arrest or interfere to prevent an act of cruelty and the circumstances justifying the action before	1/29/24: Filed for introduction 1/30/24: Introduced, Passed on First Consideration 1/31/24: Passed on Second Consideration, refer to Senate Energy, Ag., and Nat. Resources Committee	4/25/24

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	doing so. - Amends TCA Title 39; Title 43; Title 44 and Title 63, Chapter 12.		
<a href="#">TN SB 2513</a>	Commerce and Insurance, Dept. of - As introduced, establishes a process for the department to issue licenses to commercial breeders of cats and dogs. - Amends TCA Title 4; Title 43 and Title 44.	1/30/24: Filed for introduction 2/4/24: Passed on Second Consideration, refer to Senate Commerce and Labor Committee	4/25/24
<a href="#">VT H 567</a>	An act relating to the sale of dogs, cats, and wolf-hybrids by pet shops		5/9/24
<a href="#">VT H 597</a>	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
<a href="#">VT H 626</a>	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
<a href="#">VT S 292</a>	An act relating to animal welfare	1/6/24: Read 1st time & referred to Committee on [Government Operations]	5/9/24
<a href="#">VA HB 206</a>	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 1/14/24: House: Assigned ACNR sub: Agriculture 1/23/24: House: Subcommittee recommends continuing to 2025 by voice vote 1/30/24: House: Continued to 2025 in Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources by voice vote	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 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	01/03/24: House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24 24100334D House: Committee Referral Pending	3/9/24



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	promulgate such regulations no later than July 31, 2025.		
<a href="#">VA HB 223</a>	<p>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.</p> <p><a href="#">Committee Sub</a> <a href="#">Amendments for Subcommittee</a></p>	<p>01/03/24: House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24 24102092D House: Committee Referral Pending 1/14/24: House: Assigned ACNR sub: Agriculture 1/23/24: House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (7-Y 3-N) House: Subcommittee recommends referring to Committee for Courts of Justice 1/30/24: House: Committee substitute printed 24106189D-H1 House: Reported from Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources with substitute (16-Y 6-N) House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice House: Assigned Courts sub: Criminal 2/1/24: House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with amendments (7-Y 1-N) HEARING <a href="#">House Courts of Justice Committee</a> House Committee Room C - 206 Feb 09, 2024 2/9/24: House: Reported from Courts of Justice with amendment(s) (18-Y 4-N) 2/10/24: House: Read first time 2/11/24: House: Read second time House: Committee substitute agreed to 24106189D-H1 House: Committee amendment agreed to House: Engrossed by House - committee substitute with amendment HB223EH1 House: Printed as engrossed 24106189D-EH1 2/12/24: House: Read third time and passed House (83-Y 15-N) House: VOTE: Passage (83-Y 15-N) 2/13/24: Senate: Constitutional reading dispensed Senate: Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources 2/18/24: Senate: Assigned ACNR sub: Companion Animals</p>	3/9/24
<a href="#">VA HB 1354</a>	<p><a href="#">Committee Sub</a> Declawing cats; prohibition; civil penalty. Makes unlawful the practice of declawing cats except as necessary for a therapeutic purpose, as defined in the bill, and creates a civil penalty of \$500 for the first violation, \$1,000 for the second violation, and \$2,500 for the third or any subsequent violation. The bill also entitles any animal control</p>	<p>1/11/24: House: Presented and ordered printed 24104582D House: Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources 1/25/24: House: Assigned ACNR sub: Agriculture 1/30/24: House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (8-Y 2-N) 2/6/24: House: Reported from Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources with substitute (13-Y 9-N)</p>	3/9/24

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	<p>officer, humane investigator, or state or local law-enforcement officer to bring a civil action for a violation of this section.</p>	<p>House: Committee substitute printed 24106640D-H1            2/8/24: House: Read first time            2/11/24: House: Read second time            House: Committee substitute agreed to 24106640D-H1            House: Engrossed by House - committee substitute HB1354H1            2/12/24: House: Read third time and passed House (52-Y 44-N)            House: VOTE: Passage (52-Y 44-N)            House: Reconsideration of passage agreed to by House            House: Passed House (54-Y 44-N)            House: VOTE: Passage #2 (54-Y 44-N)            2/13/24: Senate: Constitutional reading dispensed            Senate: Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources            2/18/24: Senate: Assigned ACNR sub: Companion Animals</p>	
<p><a href="#">VA HB 1531</a></p>	<p>Cruelty to elephants; pain-inflicting training tools prohibited; actions for attachment; civil penalty. Prohibits using devices such as a bullhook, axe handle, or block and tackle or engaging in certain practices in order to discipline, train, or control the behavior of an elephant. The bill provides that any person who uses such devices or engages in certain practices that inflict fear or pain on or cause physical injury to an elephant is subject to a civil penalty not to exceed \$2,500 for the first offense and not to exceed \$5,000 for subsequent violations. Finally, the bill provides that an action in equity may be brought to request an attachment for any devices prohibited by the bill against a person violating the provisions of the bill.  <a href="#">Fiscal Note</a></p>	<p>1/18/24: House: Presented and ordered printed 24105745D            House: Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources            1/25/24: House: Assigned ACNR sub: Agriculture            1/30/24: House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (7-Y 3-N)            2/6/24: House: Reported from Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources (14-Y 8-N)            2/8/24: House: Read first time            2/11/24: House: Read second time and engrossed            2/12/24: House: Read third time and passed House (63-Y 36-N)            2/13/24: Senate: Constitutional reading dispensed            Senate: Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources            2/19/24: Senate: Reported from Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources (11-Y 2-N 2-A)</p>	<p>3/9/24</p>
<p><a href="#">WA HB 1157</a></p>	<p>Prohibiting the display of wild or exotic animals for public entertainment or amusement.</p>	<p>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.</p>	<p>3/7/24</p>
<p><a href="#">WA SB 5148</a></p>	<p>Prohibiting the display of wild or exotic animals for public entertainment or amusement.</p>	<p>01/04/23: Prefiled for introduction.            01/08/23: First reading, referred to Agriculture, Water, Natural Resources &amp; Parks.            01/07/24: By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.</p>	<p>3/7/24</p>

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<a href="#">WA SB 5976</a>	Controlling dogs at large.	01/03/24: Prefiled for introduction. 01/07/24: First reading, referred to Law & Justice.	3/7/24
<a href="#">WA SB 6128</a>	Prohibiting the use of certain animals in traveling animal acts.	01/09/24: First reading, referred to Law & Justice.	3/7/24
<a href="#">WV SB 580</a>	Prohibiting warrantless entry on private lands	1/25/24: To Agriculture and Natural Resources Introduced in Senate To Agriculture and Natural Resources then Judiciary Filed for introduction	3/9/24
<a href="#">WI AB 124</a>	the definition of public zoos and aquariums for purposes of captive wildlife regulations. (FE) An Act to amend 169.01 (28) of the statutes; <a href="#">Fiscal Note</a>	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 10/04/23: Report passage recommended by Committee on Tourism, Ayes 7, Noes 4 Referred to committee on Rules 1/22/24: Made a special order of business at 10:03 AM on 1-25-2024 pursuant to Assembly Resolution 23 1/24/24: Read a second time Ordered to a third reading Rules suspended Read a third time and passed Ordered immediately messaged Received from Assembly 1/25/24: Read first time and referred to committee on Labor, Regulatory Reform, Veterans and Military Affairs	3/14/24
<a href="#">WI AB 957</a>	preemption of certain local animal ordinances. <a href="#">Amendment Memo</a>	1/15/24: Introduced by Representatives Pronschinske, Dallman, Armstrong, Behnke, O'Connor, Schmidt and Wichgers; cosponsored by Senator Quinn Read first time and referred to Committee on Local Government 1/23/24: Public hearing held 1/24/24: Representative Behnke withdrawn as a coauthor 1/28/24: Assembly Amendment 1 offered by Representative Pronschinske 1/29/24: Assembly Amendment 2 offered by Representative Pronschinske 1/30/24: LRB correction (Assembly Amendment 1)	3/14/24

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		<p>Executive action taken</p> <p>2/6/24: Report Assembly Amendment 1 adoption recommended by Committee on Local Government, Ayes 12, Noes 0</p> <p>Report Assembly Amendment 2 adoption recommended by Committee on Local Government, Ayes 12, Noes 0</p> <p>Report passage as amended recommended by Committee on Local Government, Ayes 8, Noes 4</p> <p>Referred to committee on Rules</p> <p>2/19/24: Made a special order of business at 10:45 AM on 2-22-2024 pursuant to Assembly Resolution 28</p> <p>2/21/24: Read a second time</p> <p>Assembly Amendment 1 adopted</p> <p>Assembly Amendment 2 adopted</p> <p>Ordered to a third reading</p> <p>Rules suspended</p> <p>Read a third time and passed</p> <p>Ordered immediately messaged</p> <p>Received from Assembly</p>	
<a href="#">WI SB 126</a>	the definition of public zoos and aquariums for purposes of captive wildlife regulations.	<p>03/07/23: Introduced by Senators Wanggaard, Ballweg and Felzkowski; cosponsored by Representatives Dallman, Swearingen, Brooks, Moses, Murphy, Novak and Tusler Read first time</p> <p>Referred to Committee on Labor, Regulatory Reform, Veterans and Military Affairs</p> <p>03/23/23: Fiscal estimate received <a href="#">LINK</a></p> <p>08/28/23: Public hearing held</p>	3/14/24
<a href="#">WI SB 892</a>	preemption of certain local animal ordinances. An Act to create 173.90 of the statutes;	<p>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</p>	3/14/24
<a href="#">WY HB 87</a>	Brucellosis testing amendments. AN ACT relating to agriculture, livestock and other animals; amending the requirements for the Wyoming livestock board to provide brucellosis testing information as specified; making conforming amendments; and providing for an effective date.	<p>1/28/24: Bill Number Assigned</p> <p>H Received for Introduction</p> <p>2/13/24: H Failed Introduction 41-20-1-0-0</p>	3/8/24

**Federal Legislation:**

<a href="#">US HR 208</a>	Pet Safety and Protection Act of 2023 To amend the Animal Welfare Act to ensure that all dogs	<p>1/08/23: Introduced in House</p> <p>Referred to House Committee on Agriculture</p>	1/3/25
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	and cats used by research facilities are obtained legally		
<a href="#">US HR 1184</a>	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
<a href="#">US HR 1465</a>	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
<a href="#">US HR 1480</a>	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
<a href="#">US HR 1558</a>	To amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to provide that nonnative species in the United States shall not be treated as endangered species or threatened species for purposes of that Act.	03/10/23: Introduced in House 03/10/23: Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.	1/3/25
<a href="#">US HR 2742</a>	Fighting Inhumane Gambling and High-Risk Trafficking Act or the FIGHT Act 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.	04/20/23: Introduced in House 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. 05/15/23: Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry.	1/3/25
<a href="#">US HR 2878</a>	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.	04/25/23: Introduced in House Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.	1/3/25
<a href="#">US HR 2939</a>	To amend the Animal Welfare Act to prohibit the confinement of pregnant pigs, and for other purposes.	04/27/23: Introduced in House 04/27/23: Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.	1/3/25

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<a href="#">US HR 3783</a>	<p>Mink VIRUS Act</p>	<p>06/01/23: Introduced in House  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.  07/10/2023: Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry.</p>	<p>1/3/25</p>
<a href="#">US HR 3859</a>	<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 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>	<p>06/06/23: Introduced in House  06/06/23: Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.  07/28/23: Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry.</p>	<p>1/3/25</p>
<a href="#">US HR 3894</a>	<p>To amend the Animal Welfare Act to prohibit commercial greyhound racing, live lure training, and open field coursing, and for other purposes.</p>	<p>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.</p>	<p>1/3/25</p>
<a href="#">US HR 4922</a>	<p>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</p>	<p><a href="#">Link to USARK info</a></p> <p>07/25/23: Introduced in House  Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Natural Resources, for a</p>	<p>1/3/25</p>

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		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.	
<a href="#">US HR 5041</a>	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
<a href="#">US HR 5504</a>	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 <a href="#">Subcommittee on Water, Wildlife and Fisheries</a> 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
US HR 7145	To amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 and the Animal Welfare Act to prohibit the taking, importation, exportation, and breeding of certain cetaceans for public display, and for other purposes.	1/29/24: Introduced in House Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Agriculture, 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 7396	To direct the Attorney General to conduct a study on animal cruelty, and for other purposes.	2/14/24: Introduced in House Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.	1/3/25
<a href="#">US S 502</a>	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
<a href="#">US S 771</a>	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
<a href="#">US S 1529</a>	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



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<a href="#">US S 1614</a>	Lacey Act Amendments of 2023	<a href="#">Link to USARK info</a>  05/15/23: Introduced in Senate Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.	1/3/25
<a href="#">US S 2395</a>	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
<a href="#">US S 2555</a>	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
US S 3694	A bill to amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 and the Animal Welfare Act to prohibit the taking, importation, exportation, and breeding of certain cetaceans for public display, and for other purposes.	1/29/24: Introduced in Senate Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.	1/3/25

**Local Ordinances:**

Los Angeles, CA	Ban on certain rodeo events, see Protect the Harvest for more details <a href="https://protecttheharvest.com/news/critical-call-to-action-to-save-rodeo-in-los-angeles/">https://protecttheharvest.com/news/critical-call-to-action-to-save-rodeo-in-los-angeles/</a>	Hearing is 12/5/23 Please submit comments via city website <a href="https://cityclerk.lacity.org/publiccomment/?cfnumber=20-1575">https://cityclerk.lacity.org/publiccomment/?cfnumber=20-1575</a>	
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		<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><a href="#">Amending Motion 15A (Blumenfield - Rodriguez - Harris-Dawson)</a></p> <p><a href="#">Report from Personnel, Audits, and Animal Welfare Committee</a></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	<a href="#">Here is the text of the proposed ordinance</a>	
Austin, TX	Ban on public contact with wild animals	<p>Hearing June 12th, USARK has the details <a href="https://usark.org/23austin/">https://usark.org/23austin/</a> <a href="#">Proposed language</a></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>	
Dallas, TX	Campaign to ban the use of horse drawn carriages in the city	<p>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.</p> <p>Hearing in December reignited the push to ban carriages in Downtown Dallas</p>	

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San Antonio, TX	Ban on horse drawn carriages	Hearing date has not been announced, please submit opposition <a href="#">Cavalry Group has a letter here</a>	
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**Regulations State and Federal:**

DE Department of Health and Social Services	4501 Regulations For Animals Held In Shelter	<a href="#">Publication Date Jan 01, 2024</a> Effective Date Jan 11, 2024	
WI ATCP	Dog Import Rabies Vaccination	Publication Date: Jan 29, 2024 Effective Date: Feb 01, 2024 <a href="#">Full Text</a>	
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.  <a href="https://www.federalregister.gov/d/2023-01688">https://www.federalregister.gov/d/2023-01688</a>  Extended through July 2024 <a href="#">Summary Rule and Alert</a>	