

PENDING LEGISLATION

Thursday, July 17th, 2025

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State Legislation:

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CA AB 506	Contracts: sales of dogs and cats.	2/9/25: Introduced Read first time. To print. 2/10/25: From printer. May be heard in committee March 13. 2/23/25: Referred to Coms. on B. & P. and JUD. 3/16/25: In committee: Hearing postponed by committee. 3/19/25: Re-referred to Coms. on JUD. and B. & P. pursuant to Assembly Rule 96. HEARING House Judiciary Committee State Capitol, Room 437 Apr 08, 2025 at 8:00 am ----- 3/31/25: From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to Com. on JUD. Read second time and amended. 4/1/25: Re-referred to Com. on JUD. 4/3/25: In committee: Hearing postponed by committee. 4/7/25: Coauthors revised. From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on B. & P. with recommendation: To Consent Calendar. (Ayes 12. Noes 0.) (April 8). Re-referred to Com. on B. & P. 4/21/25: From committee: Amend, and do pass as amended and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 18. Noes 0.) (April 22). 4/22/25: Read second time and amended. 4/23/25: Re-referred to Com. on APPR. 5/6/25: In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to APPR. suspense file. 5/22/25: From committee: Do pass. (Ayes 11. Noes 0.) (May 23). 5/26/25: Read second time. Ordered to third reading. 6/1/25: Read third time. Passed. Ordered to the Senate. (Ayes 71. Noes 2.) 6/2/25: In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment. 6/10/25: Referred to Coms. on B. P. & E.D. and JUD.	11/30/26
CA AB 519	Pet broker sales. AB 519, as amended, Berman. Pet broker sales. Existing law, the Lockyer-Polanco-Farr Pet Protection Act, requires dealers of dogs and cats to comply with its provisions,	2/9/25: Introduced Read first time. To print. 2/10/25: From printer. May be heard in committee March 13. 2/23/25: Referred to Com. on B. & P.	11/30/26

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	including maintaining certain health and safety standards for pets and providing purchasers and prospective purchasers of pets, upon request, with written notice of consumer rights concerning the sale of a pet, including information about available refunds and other remedies. Existing law prohibits an online pet retailer, as defined, from offering, brokering, making a referral for, or otherwise facilitating a loan or other financing option for, the adoption or sale of a dog, cat, or rabbit. Existing law makes a violation of these provisions subject to a civil penalty. This bill would prohibit, subject to specified exemptions, a broker from making available for adoption, selling, or offering for sale a dog, cat, or rabbit. The bill would define a broker as a person or business that sells, arranges, negotiates, or processes, either in person or online, the sale of dogs, cats, or rabbits bred by another for profit and would include facilitating the transfer of those animals for profit.	3/16/25: In committee: Hearing postponed by committee. 3/17/25: From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to Com. on B. & P. Read second time and amended. 3/18/25: Re-referred to Com. on B. & P. 4/3/25: In committee: Hearing postponed by committee. 4/21/25: Coauthors revised. From committee: Do pass. (Ayes 17. Noes 0.) (April 22). 4/22/25: Read second time. Ordered to third reading. 5/4/25: Read third time. Passed Assembly. Ordered to the Senate. (Ayes 74. Noes 0.) 5/5/25: In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment. 5/13/25: Referred to Com. on B. P. & E.D. 5/27/25: From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to committee. Read second time, amended, and re-referred to Com. on B. P. & E.D. From committee: Amend, and do pass as amended. (Ayes 6. Noes 0.) (June 30). 7/1/25: Read second time and amended. Ordered to third reading.	
CA AB 631	AB 631, as introduced, Lee. Animals: animal shelters: transparency. Existing law requires all public and private animal shelters to keep accurate records on each animal taken up, medically treated, or impounded, as specified. This bill would require animal shelters, as defined, to post on their internet websites, or third-party internet websites, the number of animals taken in, the source of intake, and the outcomes for all animals, as specified. The bill would require this information to be made publicly accessible, updated at least once per month, and remain publicly accessible for at least 5 years. To the extent that this bill would impose a new program or higher level of service on public animal control agencies or shelters, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement. This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to the statutory provisions noted above.	2/12/25: Introduced Read first time. To print. 2/13/25: From printer. May be heard in committee March 16. 3/2/25: Referred to Com. on B. & P. 3/31/25: From committee: Amend, and do pass as amended and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 17. Noes 0.) (April 1). 4/1/25: Read second time and amended. 4/23/25: From committee: Do pass. (Ayes 15. Noes 0.) (April 23). 4/27/25: Passed Assembly Read third time. Passed. Ordered to the Senate. 4/28/25: In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment. 5/6/25: Referred to Com. on B. P. & E.D. 5/27/25: From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to committee. Read second time, amended, and re-referred to Com. on B. P. & E.D. 6/9/25: In committee: Set, first hearing. Testimony taken. Further hearing to be set. 7/8/25: From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to committee. Read second time, amended, and re-referred to Com. on B. P. & E.D. 7/13/25: From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 11. Noes 0.) (July 14). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.	11/30/26

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CA AB 1482	AB 1482, as amended, Castillo. Bowie's Law: animals: adoption, shelter overcrowding, and breeding. (1) Existing law declares that it is the policy of the state that no adoptable animal should be euthanized if it can be adopted into a suitable home. Existing law also declares that it is the policy of the state that no treatable animal should be euthanized. This bill, Bowie's Law, would require an animal shelter, as defined, to provide in a conspicuous location on its internet website or a third-party internet website a list of all animals that are available for adoption or that are being held pursuant to specified laws, except as provided. The bill would also require the Department of Food and Agriculture to conduct a study on certain topics, including, among other topics, the overcrowding of California's animal shelters, and, on or before January 1, 2028, to submit a report on that study to the Legislature, as provided. The bill would repeal these study and reporting requirements on January 1, 2032. To the extent that this bill would impose a new program or higher level of service on local public animal control agencies or shelters, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. (2) The existing Polanco-Lockyer Pet Breeder Warranty Act requires every breeder of dogs to meet certain requirements relating to housing and maintaining dogs and to disclose specified information. The act defines "dog breeder" and "breeder" to mean a person, firm, partnership, corporation, or other association that has sold, transferred, or given away all or part of 3 or more litters or 20 or more dogs during the preceding 12 months that were bred and reared on the premises of the person, firm, partnership, corporation, or other association. This bill would change that definition to a person, firm, partnership, corporation, or other association that has sold, transferred, or given away all or part of 2 or more litters or 10 or more dogs during the preceding 12 months, as specified. The bill would additionally require a breeder, before a dog reaches eight weeks of age, to have a microchip device implanted in the dog that identifies the breeder, except as provided. The bill would require the breeder, upon the sale or transfer of the dog, to register the identity of the new owner	2/20/25: Introduced. To print. 2/21/25: From printer. May be heard in committee March 24. 2/23/25: Read first time. 3/12/25: Referred to Com. on B. & P. 4/21/25: Assembly Rule 47.1 invoked. (Castillo). From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to Com. on B. & P. Read second time and amended. 4/22/25: Re-referred to Com. on B. & P. 4/28/25: From committee: Amend, and do pass as amended and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 17. Noes 0.) (April 29). 4/29/25: Read second time and amended. 4/30/25: Re-referred to Com. on APPR. 5/13/25: In committee: Hearing postponed by committee. 5/20/25: In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to APPR. suspense file. Joint Rule 62(a), file notice suspended. 5/22/25: In committee: Held under submission.	11/30/26
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	with the microchip registry company as the primary owner on the microchip device and would require the breeder to provide certain information to the new owner regarding the microchip. The bill would prohibit a dog from being sold or otherwise transferred by a breeder, whether for compensation or otherwise, until it has been immunized against common diseases and has a documented health check from a licensed veterinarian.(3) The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to the statutory provisions noted above.		
CA SB 312	Dog importation: health certificates. Amended Senate	2/9/25: Introduced. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment. To print. 2/10/25: From printer. May be acted upon on or after March 13. 2/18/25: Referred to Coms. on B. P. & E.D. and AGRI. 3/25/25: From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on B. P. & E.D. HEARING Senate Business, Professions and Economic Development Committee 1021 O Street, Room 2100 Apr 07, 2025 4/6/25: From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on AGRI. (Ayes 10. Noes 0.) (April 7). Re-referred to Com. on AGRI. 4/9/25: Set for hearing April 29. 4/30/25: From committee: Do pass as amended and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 4. Noes 0.) (April 29). 5/4/25: Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on APPR. 5/8/25: Set for hearing May 19. HEARING Senate Appropriations Committee 1021 O Street, Room 2200 May 19, 2025 at 10:00 am From committee: Do pass. (Ayes 6. Noes 0.) (May 23). Read second time. Ordered to third reading. 5/28/25: Read third time. Passed Senate. (Ayes 38. Noes 0.) Ordered to the Assembly. In Assembly. Read first time. Held at Desk. 6/4/25: Referred to Coms. on B. & P. and AGRI. 6/23/25: From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com.	11/30/26

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		on AGRI. (Ayes 16. Noes 0.) (June 24). Re-referred to Com. on AGRI. 7/2/25: From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 8. Noes 0.) (July 2). Re-referred to Com. on APPR. July 16 set for first hearing. Placed on suspense file.	
IL HB 1556	Amends the Animal Welfare Act. Defines "professional breeder". Provides that an animal shelter shall not accept a dog or cat from an animal shelter licensed under the Act or an out-of-state animal control facility, rescue group, or animal shelter that is duly licensed in their state or is a not-for-profit organization unless it obtains documentation attesting that the dog or cat was not obtained through compensation or payment made to a cat breeder, dog breeder, dog dealer, or dog broker. Provides that an animal shelter shall not obtain a dog or cat by any means other than owner surrender, transfer from an animal control facility, an order by law enforcement, or an animal shelter in compliance with provisions concerning reporting of animals. Provides that a pet shop operator or dog dealer (rather than just a pet shop operator) may offer for sale a dog or cat only if the dog or cat is obtained from an animal control facility, animal shelter, or professional breeder (rather than just an animal control facility or an animal shelter) located in-state or out-of-state, that is in compliance with provisions concerning animal control facilities and animal shelters supplying to pet shop operators and requirements of professional dog breeders. Removes provisions concerning the requirement that a pet shop operator shall keep a record of each dog or cat offered for sale. Provides for requirements of professional dog breeders. House Amendment 001 House Amendment 002	1/20/25: Introduced Filed with the Clerk by Rep. William "Will" Davis 1/27/25: First Reading Referred to Rules Committee 2/17/25: Assigned to Agriculture & Conservation Committee Added Chief Co-Sponsor Rep. Debbie Meyers-Martin 3/12/25: House Committee Amendment No. 1 Filed with Clerk by Rep. William "Will" Davis House Committee Amendment No. 1 Referred to Rules Committee HEARING 3/18/25 2:00 PM Central House Agriculture & Conservation Committee 3/16/25: House Committee Amendment No. 2 Filed with Clerk by Rep. William "Will" Davis House Committee Amendment No. 2 Referred to Rules Committee 3/17/25: House Committee Amendment No. 1 Rules Refers to Agriculture & Conservation Committee House Committee Amendment No. 2 Rules Refers to Agriculture & Conservation Committee 3/20/25: Rule 19(a) / Re-referred to Rules Committee House Committee Amendment No. 1 Rule 19(c) / Re-referred to Rules Committee House Committee Amendment No. 2 Rule 19(c) / Re-referred to Rules Committee	1/3/26
IL HB 1902	Amends the Animal Welfare Act. Provides that dog breeders must genetically test or have their dogs genetically tested for diseases that cause early death or physical impairments. Provides that if the dog breeder finds that a dog he or she breeds has a genetic defect or mutation that causes early death or physical impairments, the dog breeder must have that dog sterilized.	1/28/25: Introduced Filed with the Clerk by Rep. Jennifer Sanalitro First Reading Referred to Rules Committee 2/24/25: Assigned to Agriculture & Conservation Committee 3/20/25: Rule 19(a) / Re-referred to Rules Committee	1/3/26

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IL HB 2410	Pet Shelter Euthanasia Ban Amends the Animal Welfare Act. Provides that nothing in the Act permits the euthanization of a dog or cat or other pet in an animal shelter except in accordance with the requirements under certain provisions of the Humane Euthanasia in Animal Shelters Act. Amends the Humane Care for Animals Act. In the definition of "humanely euthanized", provides that "humanely euthanized" does not include euthanization of a dog, cat, or other pet in an animal shelter for any reason other than health reasons, attitude issues, or aggressiveness. Amends the Humane Euthanasia in Animal Shelters Act. Provides that, notwithstanding any other provision of any law, no person may euthanize a cat, dog, or other pet in an animal shelter unless the euthanization is for health reasons, attitude issues, or aggressiveness. Effective January 1, 2026.	1/30/25: Introduced Filed with the Clerk by Rep. Barbara Hernandez 2/3/25: First Reading Referred to Rules Committee 2/24/25: Assigned to Agriculture & Conservation Committee 3/20/25: Rule 19(a) / Re-referred to Rules Committee	1/3/26
IL HB 3056	Amends the Animal Welfare Act. Provides that a person licensed under the Act may not import any dog into the State if the licensee knows or has reason to know that the dog is under the age of 8 weeks old. Provides that a person licensed under the Act must inquire about the age of a dog before importing it into the State.	2/5/25: Introduced Filed with the Clerk by Rep. Curtis J. Tarver, II First Reading Referred to Rules Committee 3/3/25: Assigned to Agriculture & Conservation Committee 3/10/25: Do Pass / Short Debate Agriculture & Conservation Committee; 009-000-000 3/11/25: Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate 3/25/25: Second Reading - Short Debate Held on Calendar Order of Second Reading - Short Debate 4/6/25: House Floor Amendment No. 1 Filed with Clerk by Rep. Curtis J. Tarver, II House Floor Amendment No. 1 Referred to Rules Committee House Floor Amendment No. 1 Rules Refers to Agriculture & Conservation Committee	1/3/26
IL HB 3647	Amends the Animal Welfare Act. Requires a licensed veterinarian to examine each dog or cat that is imported into the State from another state by an animal shelter or an animal control facility and provide an examination document to the animal shelter or animal control facility. Provides that, for such dogs or cats, the animal shelter or animal control facility must provide the examination document provided by the licensed veterinarian to the adopter prior to the time of adoption.	2/6/25: Introduced Filed with the Clerk by Rep. Curtis J. Tarver, II 2/17/25: First Reading Referred to Rules Committee 3/10/25: Assigned to Agriculture & Conservation Committee HEARING Mar 18, 2025 at 2:00 pm House Agriculture & Conservation Committee 3/20/25: Rule 19(a) / Re-referred to Rules Committee	1/3/26

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IL HB 3648	Amends the Animal Welfare Act. Provides that if an animal shelter or an animal control facility offers a dog for adoption, it must provide, in addition to other requirements, the organization from which the dog was obtained, the organization's address, and the organization's phone number.	2/6/25: Introduced Filed with the Clerk by Rep. Curtis J. Tarver, II 1/17/25: First Reading Referred to Rules Committee 3/10/25: Assigned to Agriculture & Conservation Committee 3/20/25: Rule 19(a) / Re-referred to Rules Committee	1/3/26
MA HD 1530	An Act banning the retail sale of dogs, cats, and rabbits in new pet shops		1/1/27
MA HD 2150	An Act relative to puppy mills		1/1/27
MA HD 2163	An Act relative to the sale of dogs and cats in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts		1/1/27
MA H 2245	An Act relative to puppy mills	2/26/25: Introduced Referred to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government Senate concurred Hearing scheduled for 06/10/2025 from 01:00 PM-05:00 PM in B-1	1/1/27
MA H 2256	An Act to protect pets	2/26/25: Introduced Referred to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government Senate concurred Hearing scheduled for 06/10/2025 from 01:00 PM-05:00 PM in B-1	
MA HD 4490	An Act banning the retail sale of dogs, cats, rabbits, and guinea pigs in pet shops By Representative Scanlon of North Attleborough, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Adam J. Scanlon and Manny Cruz for legislation to further regulate the retail sale of dogs, cats, rabbits, and guinea pigs in pet shops. Agriculture.	3/26/25: Introduced Referred to the committee on House Rules 4/2/25: Reported, referred to the committee on Joint Rules, reported, rules suspended and referred to the committee on Agriculture	1/1/27
MA SD 1154	An Act banning the retail sale of dogs, cats, and rabbits in pet shops		1/1/27
MA SD 1155	An Act banning the retail sale of dogs, cats, and rabbits in new pet shops		1/1/27
NJ A 129	Establishes procedures for seizure, care, and forfeiture of animals involved in animal cruelty violations.		1/13/26
NJ A 365	Prohibits cropping or altering the tail or ears of dog; establishes as animal cruelty offense.		1/13/26

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NJ A 1422	"Chiara's Law"; prohibits euthanizing animals in shelters or pounds except for health or safety reasons.		1/13/26
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."		1/13/26
NJ A 3921	Authorizes veterinarians to transfer ownership of animals rather than euthanizing them, under certain circumstances.	3/3/24: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Commerce, Economic Development and Agriculture Committee	1/13/26
NJ S 67	Requires licensure of dog trainers.	01/08/24: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Commerce Committee	1/13/26
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	1/13/26
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	1/13/26
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	1/13/26
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	1/13/26
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	1/13/26
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	1/13/26
NJ S 2511	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	1/13/26
NJ S 2784	"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	1/13/26

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NY A 107	Relates to establishing animals as sentient beings	1/7/25: Introduced REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE	1/2/27
NY A 165	Relates to outdoor restraints of dogs	1/7/25: Introduced REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE	1/2/27
NY A 181	Creates a task force on animal laws; requires reporting to the governor and legislature of recommendations on how to increase statewide uniformity of such.	1/7/25: Introduced REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE	1/2/27
NY A 1966	Includes wildlife animals as those subject to the animal cruelty provisions of the agriculture and markets law.	1/13/25: Introduced REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE 3/10/25: REPORTED REFERRED TO CODES	1/2/27
NY A 7342	Establishes the New York state equine industry board, to advise and make recommendations to the state agencies on state government plans, policies and programs affecting all aspects of equine industry, and in such areas as its experience and studies may indicate to be appropriate.	3/24/25: Introduced REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE 4/3/25: AMEND AND RECOMMIT TO AGRICULTURE PRINT NUMBER 7342A 4/9/25: AMEND AND RECOMMIT TO AGRICULTURE PRINT NUMBER 7342B	1/2/27
NY A 7388	Enacts "Peanut's law: humane animal protection act" to provide humane treatment, safeguard animal welfare and strengthen the rights of animal sanctuaries and responsible owners in retaining custody, implementing due process safeguards, and guaranteeing public safety while an appeal is pending; requires an administrative hearing before the seizure or euthanization of an animal under the care of a wildlife sanctuary, unless there is documented evidence that the animal presents an immediate threat to public safety; further provides that any animal seized by the department of environmental conservation for testing or public concerns is subject to a 72-hour waiting period prior to euthanization; makes related provisions.	3/24/25: Introduced Referred to Environmental Conservation	1/2/27
NY A 8327	Prohibits the sale of certain birds at retail	5/12/25: Introduced REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE	1/2/27
NY S 391	Requires a disclosure form for the surrender of a dog to a shelter, pound or dog protective association detailing the reasons for surrender and any aggressive tendencies of such dog.	1/7/25: Introduced REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE	1/2/27
NY S 3651	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.	1/28/25: Introduced REFERRED TO CONSUMER PROTECTION	1/2/27

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NY S 6380	Relates to outdoor restraints of dogs; prohibits tethering under cruel or inhumane conditions, including during dangerous weather conditions when a weather alert, advisory or warning is in effect; provides for civil penalties for violations.	3/11/25: Introduced REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE	1/2/27
NY S 8211	Clarifies the standard of care for animals held in or being transported by animal shelters; repealer	5/20/25: Introduced REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE	1/2/27
NY S 8252	Relates to pet dealers, brokers and retail pet shops; repealer	5/26/25: Introduced REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE 6/7/25: AMEND AND RECOMMIT TO AGRICULTURE PRINT NUMBER 8252A 6/10/25: COMMITTEE DISCHARGED AND COMMITTED TO RULES	1/2/27
NC SB 275	Deregulate Small Boarding Kennels.	3/11/25: Introduced Filed 3/12/25: Passed 1st Reading Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	7/31/25
NC SB 573	Reform Animal Cruelty and Neglect laws.	3/24/25: Introduced Filed 3/25/25: Passed 1st Reading Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	7/31/25
PA HB 296	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.	1/22/25: Introduced Referred to Agriculture & Rural Affairs	11/30/25
PA HB 1074	An Act amending the act of December 7, 1982 (P.L.784, No.225), known as the Dog Law, in injury to dogs, providing for contracts for sale of dogs and cats. Prohibits "pet leasing"	3/30/25: Introduced Referred to Agriculture & Rural Affairs	11/30/25

Federal Legislation:

US HR 1661	Save America's Forgotten Equines Act of 2025 or the SAFE Act of 2025 This bill permanently prohibits the slaughter of equines (e.g., horses and mules) for human consumption. (Current law prohibits the slaughter of dogs and cats for human consumption. This bill extends the prohibition to equines.)	2/26/25: Introduced Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture. Introduced in House 3/27/25: Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry.	1/3/27
US HR 1675	To amend the Horse Protection Act to provide increased protection for horses	2/26/25: Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.	1/3/27

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	participating in shows, exhibitions, sales, and auctions, and for other purposes. Reintroduced by Congressman Scott DesJarlais (R-TN-04)	Introduced in House	
US HR 1897	ESA Amendments Act of 2025	3/5/25: Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources. Introduced in House 3/17/25: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Wildlife and Fisheries. 3/24/25: Subcommittee Hearings Held	1/3/27
US HR 2185	To protect public health and human safety by prohibiting the farming of mink for their fur, to compensate farmers as they transition out of the industry, and for other purposes.	3/17/25: Introduced 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. 4/17/25: Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry.	
US HR 2253	To amend the Animal Welfare Act to provide for the humane treatment of dogs, and for other purposes.	3/20/25: Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture. Introduced in House	1/3/27
US HR 2626	To amend the Animal Welfare Act to prohibit the confinement of pregnant pigs, and for other purposes.	4/2/25: Introduced Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture. 4/17/25: Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry.	
US HR 2976	To amend the Animal Welfare Act to include cold-blooded species as animals, and for other purposes.	4/20/25: Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture. Introduced in House	1/3/27
US HR 3188	To amend the Migratory Bird Treaty Act to affirm that the prohibition on the unauthorized take or killing of migratory birds of that Act includes incidental take, and to direct the United States Fish and Wildlife Service to authorize such incidental take, and for other purposes.	5/4/25: Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources. Introduced in House	1/3/27
US HR 3199	To amend the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 to prohibit certain activities involving prohibited primate species, and for other purposes.	5/4/25: Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources. Introduced in House	1/3/27
US HR 3684	To establish an Animal Cruelty Crimes Taskforce within the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and for other purposes.	6/2/25: Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary. Introduced in House	10/30/26
US S _____	To amend the Animal Health Protection Act with respect to the importation of live dogs, and for other purposes.		

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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/	Hearing is 12/5/23 Please submit comments via city website https://cityclerk.lacity.org/publiccomment/?cfnumber=20-1575 Passed out of committee to full city council vote URGENT: Comments needed ASAP Please use link above to submit comments 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. Amending Motion 15A (Blumenfield - Rodriguez - Harris-Dawson) Report from Personnel, Audits, and Animal Welfare Committee	
San Diego, CA	Potential rodeo ban	The rodeo company and the Padres are being sued by animal rights groups to keep the rodeo from happening at Petco Park in January 2025.	
Austin, TX	Ban on public contact with wild animals	Hearing June 12th, USARK has the details https://usark.org/23austin/ Proposed language 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. Passed animal advisory group - to full city council for vote	

Regulations State and Federal:

FWS NOAA DoI DoC	Proposed Rule 2025-06746 The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) and the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) (collectively referred to as the Services or	Publication Date - 4/17/25 Comment Deadline - 5/19/25	
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Bill No.	Summary	Latest Action	Adjourn
	we) are proposing to rescind the regulatory definition of "harm" in our Endangered Species Act (ESA or the Act) regulations. The existing regulatory definition of "harm," which includes habitat modification, runs contrary to the best meaning of the statutory term "take." We are undertaking this change to adhere to the single, best meaning of the ESA.		
USDA APHIS	Horse Protection Amendments APHIS-2022-0004-8793	Publication Date: May 08, 2024 Effective Date: February 01, 2025 Postponed to 2026	