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2021 Legislative Session Pending Legislation

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AK HB 22 (Status 1/8/2021) **Farming**

Title: [Shared Animal And Raw Milk/products](#)

Summary: An Act relating to shared animal ownership; and relating to the sharing and sale of raw milk and raw milk products.

Status: 2021-01-08 - PREFILE RELEASED 1/8/21

AL HB 374 Updated (Introduced 2/9/2021)

Title: [Animals, cruelty to dogs and cats, definition of shelter, Sec. 13A-11-240 am'd.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Andrew Sorrell [R] Rep. Timothy Wadsworth [R] Rep. Ritchie Whorton [R]

Status: 2021-02-09 - Read for the first time and referred to the House of Representatives committee on Agriculture and Forestry

Pending: House Agriculture and Forestry Committee

AR [R] HB 1099 - Updated (Status 01/12/2021)

Title: [TO AUTHORIZE THE VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD TO PROMULGATE RULES REGARDING TELEHEALTH AND TELEMEDICINE AND TO ISSUE RESTRICTED LICENSES FOR VETERINARIANS.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. DeAnn Vaught (R-AR)

Status: Read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT-HOUSE - 01/11/2021

AR [R] HB 1126 - Updated (Status 01/13/2021) **Shelter Regs**

Title: [AN ACT FOR THE OFFICE OF THE TREASURER OF STATE - ANIMAL RESCUE SHELTERS APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2021-2022 FISCAL YEAR.](#)

Sponsor: Joint Budget Committee

Status: Read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE - 01/12/2021

AR [R] HB 1142 - Updated (Status 01/13/2021) Amendment added

Title: [TO RECOGNIZE ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION OF LIVESTOCK AND ANIMALS AS A ROUTINE ANIMAL HUSBANDRY PRACTICE.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. DeAnn Vaught (R-AR)

Status: Amendment No. 1 read and adopted and the bill ordered engrossed.

AZ [R] HB 2355 - Updated **HEARING SCHEDULED** **Abuser Registry**

Title: [animal abuser registration; penalties](#)

Sponsor: John Kavanagh [R]
Status: Sent to House Rules Committee
House Minority Caucus- DO PASS

AZ [R] HB 2368 - Updated (New 01/20/2021)
Title: [veterinarians; malpractice; unprofessional conduct; action](#)
Sponsor: Kevin Payne
Status: No history available

AZ HB 2483 Updated (NEW NO DATE) **HEARING SCHEDULED 4A Violation**
Title: [Animal ownership; possession; prohibition](#)
Sponsor: Sen. John Kavanagh [R] Rep. Amish Shah [D]
Status: Assigned House Rules Committee
House Minority Caucus- DO PASS

AZ HB 2525 Updated (Introduced 1/28/2021)
Title: [Egg-laying hens; confinement; regulation](#)
Sponsor: Sen. John Kavanagh [R]
Status: 2021-01-28 - Assigned to House RULES Committee
Pending: [House Land, Agriculture and Rural Affairs Committee](#)

AZ HB 2626 Updated (New NO DATE) **Declawing**
Title: [Cat declawing; prohibition; exceptions](#)
Sponsor: Rep. Amish Shah [D] Sen. John Kavanagh [R]
Status: To House Land, Agriculture and Rural Affairs Committee

AZ SB 1483 Updated (Introduced 1/28/2021) **Retail Pet Shop Ban**
Title: [Pet dealers; prohibitions; cats; dogs](#)
Sponsor: Sen. Sean Bowie [D]
Status: Introduced on January 28 2021 - 25% progression. 2021-02-01 - Senate read second time Pending: [Senate Commerce Committee](#)

CA [R] AB 253 - Updated (Status 01/16/2021)
Title: [Animal welfare.](#)
Sponsor: Asm. Jim Patterson (R-CA)
Abstract: An act to amend Section 599aa of the Penal Code, relating to animal welfare.
Status: [Assembly Public Safety Committee](#)

***CO HB 1102** Updated (Introduced 2/16/2021) **HEARING Retail Pet Shop Ban**
Title: [Consumer Protection For Dog And Cat Purchasers](#)
Sponsor: Rep. Monica Duran [D] Rep. Matt Soper [R] Sen. Sonya Jaquez Lewis [D]
Abstract: Concerning requirements of pet stores that sell certain pet animals.
Status: **[Hearing: Feb 22 @ 1:30 pm]**
To House Agriculture, Livestock, & Water Committee

CT HB 5031 Updated (Status 1/11/2021) **Fur Ban**

Title: [An Act Prohibiting the Sale, Trade Or Distribution Of New Animal Fur.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. David Michel [D]

Abstract: To prohibit the sale and trade of new animal fur products in the state of Connecticut.

Status: 2021-01-11 - Referred to Joint Committee on Environment

CT [R] HB 5193- Updated (New 1/15/2021) **Bestiality**

Title: [To increase the penalty for engaging in sexual contact with an animal](#)

Sponsor: Rep. William Petit [R]

Status: 2021-01-15 - Referred to Joint Committee on Judiciary

CT [R] HB 5177 -Updated (New 1/15/2021) **Potential Fishing Restriction**

Title: [To preserve horseshoe crab populations.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Joseph Gresko [D]

Status: 2021-01-15 - Referred to Joint Committee on Environment

CT HB 5629 Updated (Introduced 1/27/2021)

Title: [An Act Authorizing the Appeal Of An Order Issued By An Animal Control Officer Directly To The Superior Court.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Douglas Dubitsky [R]

Abstract: To expedite appeals of animal control officer orders and minimize the time impounded animals are held at taxpayer expense.

Status: Introduced on January 27 2021 - 25% progression

Action: 2021-01-27 - Referred to Joint Committee on Environment

CT HB 5800 Updated (Introduced 1/28/2021) **Circus Ban**

Title: [An Act Prohibiting The Use Of Wild Animals In Circuses, Carnivals And Exhibitions.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Charlie Stallworth [D]

Abstract: To prohibit the use of wild animals in circuses, carnivals and exhibitions.

Status: Introduced on January 28 2021 - 25% progression

Action: 2021-01-28 - Referred to Joint Committee on Environment

CT HB 5809 -Updated (Introduced 1/28/2021)

Title: [An Act Concerning Companion Animal Welfare.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Dave Yaccarino [R]

Abstract: To study companion animal welfare.

Status: Introduced on January 28 2021 - 25% progression

Action: 2021-01-28 - Referred to Joint Committee on Environment

CT HB 5825 Updated (Introduced 1/28/2021)

Title: [An Act Prohibiting The Possession Of An Animal In The Case Of A Person Convicted Of Animal Cruelty.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Dorinda Keenan Borer [D]

Abstract: To provide protection for animals by preventing repeat offenses of animal cruelty.

Status: 2021-01-28 - Referred to Joint Committee on Environment

CT HB 5958 Updated (Introduced 1/28/2021)

Title: [An Act Classifying Animal Control Officers As First Responders.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Dorinda Keenan Borer [D]

Abstract: To accurately reflect the duties of animal control officers as first responders and entitle them to appropriate benefits.

Status: Introduced on January 28 2021 - 25% progression

Action: 2021-01-28 - Referred to Joint Committee on Labor and Public Employees

CT HB 6251 Updated (Introduced 1/29/2021)

Title: [An Act Concerning Animal Abuse By Repeat Offenders.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Dorinda Keenan Borer [D]

Abstract: To prevent further animal abuse by repeat offenders, to decrease the number of animal abuse cases that result in dismissal and to require thorough evaluation of offenders of animal abuse crimes.

Status: Introduced on January 29 2021 - 25% progression

Action: 2021-01-29 - Referred to Joint Committee on Judiciary

CT SB 66 Updated (Introduced 1/12/2021) **Circus Ban**

Title: [An Act Prohibiting The Use Of Wild Animals In Circuses, Carnivals And Exhibitions.](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Will Haskell [D]

Abstract: To prohibit the use of wild animals in circuses and exhibitions.

Status: 2021-01-12 - Referred to Joint Committee on Environment

CT SB 458 Updated (Introduced 1/27/2021) **Breeder Licensing**

Title: [An Act Establishing A Companion Animal Breeder License.](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Catherine Osten [D]

Abstract: To regulate the breeding of companion animals.

Status: 2021-01-27 - Referred to Joint Committee on Environment

CT SB 521 Updated (New 1/27/2021) **Redefining Cruelty**

Title: [An Act Concerning A Review Of Animal Cruelty Laws By The Connecticut Sentencing Commission.](#)

Sponsor: Sen. James Maroney [D]

Abstract: To require the Connecticut Sentencing Commission to review the animal cruelty laws in this state and other states and make recommendations, if any, to the legislature for changes to state laws.

Status: 2021-01-27 - Referred to Joint Committee on Judiciary

FL [R] HB 45 - Updated (New 12/09/2020) **Pet Shop Ban**

Title: [Retail Sale of Domestic Dogs and Cats:](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Sam Killebrew (R-FL)

Abstract: Prohibits pet stores from selling or offering for sale domestic dogs & cats; provides penalties.

Status: Now in Regulatory Reform Subcommittee - 01/15/2021

FL [R] HB 47 - Updated (New 1/15/2021) **Vet Reporting**

Title: [Reporting Animal Cruelty](#):

Sponsor: Rep. Dan Daley (D-FL)

Abstract: Specifies that the failure of veterinarian to report suspected animal cruelty is grounds for disciplinary action; requires veterinarians, veterinary technicians, & other animal treatment provider employees to report cases of suspected animal cruelty to certain officials & authorizes such persons to report suspected cases of animal cruelty at certain commercial food-producing animal operations under certain circumstances; provides immunity from liability & employment protections for certain persons; provides criminal penalties for the alteration or the destruction of medical records for specified purposes.

Status: Now in Regulatory Reform Subcommittee - 01/15/2021 Filed - 12/09/2020

FL [R] HB 49 - Updated (New 12/10/2020) **Vet Reporting**

Title: [Pub. Rec./Reporting Animal Cruelty](#):

Sponsor: Rep. Dan Daley (D-FL)

Abstract: Provides exemption from public records requirements for all records containing reports of animal cruelty made by veterinarians, veterinary technicians, & other animal treatment provider employees; provides for future legislative review & repeal of the exemption; provides statement of public necessity.

Status: Now in Regulatory Reform Subcommittee - 01/15/2021 Filed - 12/09/2020

FL [R] HB 177 - Updated (New 01/07/2021) **Tethering**

Title: [Tethering of Domestic Dogs and Cats](#):

Sponsor: Rep. Emily Slosberg (D-FL)

Abstract: Provides requirements for tethering domestic dogs & cats; provides penalties; provides for enforcement.

Status: Now in Civil Justice & Property Rights Subcommittee - 01/20/2021 Filed - 01/06/2021

FL HO731 Updated (2/18/2021)

Title: Animal Cruelty

Sponsor: Rep. Elizabeth Fetterhoff [R]

Abstract: Revising the elements of certain animal cruelty offenses; defining the term "adequate shelter"; prohibiting the failure to provide an animal adequate shelter; providing criminal penalties, etc.

Status: 2021-02-18 - Now in Criminal Justice & Public Safety Subcommittee

FL S 1122 Updated (2/18/2021)

Title: [Animal Cruelty](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Jason Brodeur [R]

Abstract: Revising the elements of certain animal cruelty offenses; defining the term "adequate shelter"; prohibiting the failure to provide an animal adequate shelter; providing criminal penalties, etc.

Status: 2021-02-18 - Referred to Agriculture; Criminal Justice; Appropriations; Rules

FL [R] SB 216 - Updated (New 12/08/2020) **Vet Reporting**

Title: [Reporting Animal Cruelty](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Jason Pizzo (D-FL)

Abstract: Reporting Animal Cruelty; Citing this act as "'Allie's Law'"; specifying that the failure of a veterinarian to report suspected animal cruelty is grounds for disciplinary action; requiring veterinarians, veterinary technicians, and other animal treatment provider employees to report cases of suspected animal cruelty to certain officials; authorizing veterinarians, veterinary technicians, and other animal treatment provider employees to report suspected cases of animal cruelty at certain commercial food-producing animal operations under certain circumstances, etc.

Status: Filed - 12/07/2020

FL [R] SB 218 - Updated (New 12/08/2020)

Title: [Public Records/Reports of Animal Cruelty](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Jason Pizzo (D-FL)

Abstract: Public Records/Reports of Animal Cruelty; Providing an exemption from public records requirements for all records containing reports of animal cruelty made by veterinarians, veterinary technicians, and other animal treatment provider employees; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity, etc.

Status: Referred to Agriculture; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Criminal Justice; Rules - 12/15/2020

FL SB 650- Updated (New 1/14/2021) **Anti-Tethering**

Title: [Tethering of Domestic Dogs and Cats](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Annette Taddeo [D]

Abstract: Providing requirements for tethering domestic dogs and cats; providing applicability; providing penalties; providing for enforcement, etc.

Status: Introduced on January 14 2021 - 25% progression

FL SO 776 Updated (Introduced 1/28/2021)

Title: [Racketeering](#)

Sponsor: Sen. George Gainer [R]

Abstract: Revising the definition of the term "racketeering activity" to include certain actions relating to the illegal taking, killing, wounding, sale, purchase, or possession of wild animal life, freshwater aquatic life, or marine life, and related crimes, etc.

Status: 2021-01-28 - Referred to Criminal Justice; Environment and Natural Resources; Rules

IL [R] HB 46 - Updated (New 01/14/2021)

Title: [HUMANE ANIMAL CARE-CANNABIS](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Anthony DeLuca (D-IL)

Abstract: Amends the Humane Care for Animals Act. Provides that no person may knowingly allow an animal to ingest cannabis, including second-hand smoke, or cannabis-infused products in a way that results in the animal's sickness or death. Provides that a first violation is a Class A misdemeanor, and a second or subsequent violation is a Class 4 felony. Effective immediately.

Status: Filed with the Clerk by Rep. Anthony DeLuca - 01/13/2021

IL HB 3570 Updated (Introduced 2/22/2021) **Abuse Registry**

Title: [ANIMAL ABUSE REGISTRY](#)

Sponsor: Rep. David Welter [R]

Abstract: Amends the Humane Care for Animals Act and the State Finance Act. Provides that the Department of Agriculture shall create and maintain an animal abuse registry. Requires a person 18 years of age or older who resides in or is domiciled in this State and has been convicted of specified offenses involving animal cruelty or torture to register with the Department to be placed on the registry. Requires a person required to register to pay an annual fee of \$50 to the Department. Prohibits a person required to register from owning a companion animal or being employed at an animal shelter, pound, pet shop, zoo, or other business where companion animals are present. Creates the Animal Abuse Registry Fund as a special fund in the State Treasury. Provides that registration fees shall be deposited into the Fund to be used by the Department for establishing and maintaining the animal abuse registry. Effective immediately.

Status: 2021-02-22 - Referred to Rules Committee

IL HB 3646 Updated (Introduced 2/19/2021) see also: [HB 1711](#)

Title: [ANIMAL WELFARE-PET SHOPS](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Andrew Chesney [R] Rep. Barbara Hernandez [D]
Rep. Jonathan Carroll [D] Rep. Daniel Didech [D]

Abstract: Amends the Animal Welfare Act. Provides that 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 or animal shelter. Provides that an animal control facility or animal shelter that supplies dogs or cats to pet shop operators to be offered for sale shall not be a dog breeder or a cat breeder or obtain dogs or cats from a dog breeder, a cat breeder, a person who resells dogs or cats from a breeder, or a person who sells dogs or cats at auction in exchange for payment or compensation. Defines the term "offer for sale" and modifies the definitions of "pet shop operator" and "animal shelter". Effective 180 days after becoming law.

Status: Introduced on February 19 2021 - 25% progression

Action: 2021-02-22 - Referred to Rules Committee

IL HB 3728 Updated (Introduced 2/22/2021)

Title: [WORKING ANIMAL PROTECTIONS](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Tom Demmer [R]

Abstract: Creates the Local Working Animal Protection Act. Defines "working animal".

Provides that the right to utilize working animals for the benefit and welfare of the animals or those they serve is guaranteed. Provides that no ordinance or rule shall be enacted by a unit of local government, including a home rule unit, that terminates, bans, effectively bans, or creates an undue financial hardship relating to the job or use of working animals or animal enterprise in commerce, service, legal hunting, agriculture, husbandry, transportation, or ranching, including, but not limited to, entertainment, education, or exhibition. Provides that the Act does not: alter State law or rules that regulate animal care, public health, or public safety; or prevent the establishment of or alteration of ordinances or rules by a unit of local government regarding animal care, public health, or public safety. Provides that if a unit of local government has an ordinance or rule that conflicts with the Act, the Act controls. Limits home rule powers.

Status: 2021-02-22 - Referred to Rules Committee

IL HB 3889 Updated (Introduced 2/19/2021) **Circus/Exotic Ban**

Title: [CRIM CD-TRAVELING ANIMAL ACT](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Camille Lilly [D]

Abstract: Amends the Criminal Code of 2012. Provides that a person commits unlawful use of an exotic animal in a traveling animal act when he or she knowingly allows for the participation of an exotic animal (rather than an elephant) in a traveling animal act. This offense is a Class A misdemeanor. Defines "exotic animal".

Status: Introduced on February 19 2021 - 25% progression



IL HB 3917 Updated (Introduced 2/19/2021)

Title: [ANIMALS-HUMANE CARE](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Natalie Manley [D]

Abstract: Amends the Humane Care for Animals Act. Provides findings from the General Assembly concerning the priority of protecting animals from abuse. Provides for appropriate guidelines for enclosed structures for companion animals. Provides that humane care and treatment of animals includes appropriate exercise. Prohibits placing companion animals in life-threatening situations, when considering their age, health, and species. Provides that no person shall without legal justification knowingly or intentionally commit an act that causes a companion animal to suffer great bodily harm.

Status: Introduced on February 19 2021 - 25% progression

IL [R] HB 138 - Updated (New 01/14/2021) **Tax Credit**

Title: [INC TX-PET ADOPTION](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Debbie Meyers-Martin (D-IL)

Abstract: Amends the Illinois Income Tax Act. Creates an income tax credit in the amount of \$250 for taxpayers who (i) adopt an animal from a no kill animal shelter and (ii) retain ownership of the animal for a period of 6 consecutive months during the taxable year. Effective immediately.

Status: Filed with the Clerk by Rep. Debbie Meyers-Martin – 01/13/2021

IL HB 168 Updated (New 1/19/2021) **4A Violation**

Title: [ANIMALS-FORFEITURE](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Daniel Didech [D]

Abstract: Amends the Humane Care for Animals Act. Provides that in addition to any other penalty, the court may order that a person and persons dwelling in the same household may not own, harbor, or have custody or control of any other animal if the person has been convicted of 2 or more of the following offenses: (1) a violation of aggravated cruelty; (2) a violation of animals for entertainment; or (3) a violation of dog fighting.

Status: Introduced on January 19 2021

IL HB 395 -Updated (Introduced 1/29/2021)

Title: [ANIMAL PARTS AND PRODUCTS BAN](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Martin Moylan [D]

Abstract: Amends the Ivory Ban Act. Changes the short title of the Act to the Animal Parts and Products Ban Act. Makes the Act applicable to animal parts or products. Defines "animal part or product" to mean, in addition to ivory and rhinoceros horn, any item that contains, or is wholly or partially made from, the following animal family, genus, or species: cheetah, elephant, giraffe, great ape, hippopotamus, jaguar, leopard, lion, monk seal, narwhal, pangolin, ray or shark, rhinoceros, sea turtle, tiger, walrus, or whale, insofar as the species, subspecies, or distinct population segment is listed on specified endangered species lists. Authorizes the Department of Natural Resources to permit the transfer of covered animal parts or products to or from a museum, unless the activity is prohibited by federal law. Makes changes concerning exemptions for certain antiques.

Status: Introduced on January 29 2021 - 25% progression

IL HB 1711 Updated (Introduced 2/11/21) **Retail Pet Shop Ban**

Title: [ANIMAL WELFARE-PET SHOPS](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Barbara Hernandez [D]

Abstract: Amends the Animal Welfare Act. Provides that 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 or animal shelter. Provides that an animal control facility or animal shelter that supplies

dogs or cats to pet shop operators to be offered for sale shall not be a dog breeder or a cat breeder or obtain dogs or cats from a dog breeder, a cat breeder, a person who resells dogs or cats from a breeder, or a person who sells dogs or cats at auction in exchange for payment or compensation. Defines the term "offer for sale" and modifies the definitions of "pet shop operator" and "animal shelter". Effective 180 days after becoming law.

Status: Introduced on February 11 2021 - 25% progression

IL [R] SB 558 - Updated (Status 01/03/2021)

Title: [COSMETICS-ANIMAL TEST](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Linda Holmes (D-IL)

Abstract: Amends the Community Mental Health Act. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the short title.

Status: Assigned to Health Care Availability & Accessibility Committee - 01/02/2021

IN [R] HB 1142 - Updated (New 01/05/2021) **Pet Shop Ban**

Title: [Retail sale of dogs and cats.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Chris Campbell (D-IN)

Abstract: Retail sale of dogs and cats. Prohibits a retail pet store from selling or offering to sell a dog or cat unless the dog or cat is obtained from an animal shelter, a humane society, an animal rescue operation, an animal control agency, or a governmental entity operating an animal shelter or other animal impounding facility. Requires that a retail pet store maintain certain records for not less than one year after the dog or cat is sold, adopted, or given away. Provides that a retail pet store must post the name and business address of the person or organization from which the dog or cat was obtained on the dog or cat's cage. Makes it a Class C infraction if a retail pet store violates these provisions.

Status: First reading: referred to Committee on Commerce, Small Business and Economic Development – 01/07/2021

IN [R] HB 1268 - Updated (New 01/09/2021)

Title: [Return of lost pets to owners.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Carey Hamilton (D-IN)

Abstract: Return of lost pets to owners. Requires an animal care facility to adopt policies and procedures that govern the return of lost or stray dogs and cats to the dog's or cat's owner. Provides animal care policies and procedures that an animal care facility may include to return lost or stray dogs and cats to the dog's or cat's owner.

Status: First reading: referred to Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development – 01/14/2

IN [R] HB 1292 – Updated (New 1/14/2021) **Re-Wilding**

Title: [Wildlife corridors.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Ryan Dvorak [D]

Abstract: Wildlife corridors. Establishes the wildlife corridor action plan (plan) for the purpose of establishing, maintaining, improving, and protecting wildlife corridors to preserve habitat connectivity, which promotes species diversity, lowers the risk of extinction, and promotes opportunities for outdoor recreation. Provides that the department of natural resources (department) shall incorporate the plan when designing infrastructure projects and shall work in conjunction with the department of transportation to develop the plan. Provides that the plan shall: (1) identify: (A) wildlife corridors in Indiana; (B) existing or planned barriers to movement along wildlife corridors in Indiana; and (C) areas where there is high risk of vehicles colliding with wildlife; (2) prioritize and recommend wildlife crossing projects intended to promote driver safety and wildlife connectivity along wildlife corridors; and (3) include descriptions of wildlife crossing infrastructure or mitigation techniques recommended to meet the purpose of the plan. Provides that the department shall submit the plan not later than November 1, 2022, to the legislative council and to legislators who were members of the house committees on natural resources and roads and transportation and the senate committees on homeland security and transportation and natural resources during the 2022 legislative session. Provides that the plan shall be updated and resubmitted to the legislative council every four years.

Status: 2021-01-14 - First reading: referred to Committee on Natural Resources

IN [R] HB 1380 Updated (New 1/14/2021) **Anti-Farming**

Title: [Environmental nuisance actions.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Alan Morrison [R]

Abstract: Environmental nuisance actions. Specifies that a civil action brought for monetary or injunctive relief due to the discharge of a contaminant in substantial compliance with a permit issued by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) or the Indiana department of environmental management (IDEM) may be brought only as a nuisance action. Defines "stigma damages" and specifies that in a nuisance action brought in connection with a discharge that substantially complies with an EPA or IDEM permit, the plaintiff: (1) must establish certain damages by clear and convincing evidence; and (2) is not entitled to stigma damages.

Status: 2021-01-14 - First reading: referred to Committee on Environmental Affairs

IN HB 1398- Updated(**HEARING SCHEDULED**)**Big Cats and Bears/Animal Exhibit Ban**

Title: [Direct contact with specified animals.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. David Abbott [R]

Abstract: Direct contact with specified animals. Prohibits a person that owns or possesses a specified animal from allowing a member of the public to come into direct contact with the specified animal. Establishes a criminal penalty for a violation of the law.

Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "specified animal" means a live animal that is any of the following:

21 (1) An animal from the following species of Felidae:

22 (A) Lions (*Panthera leo*).

23 (B) Tigers (*Panthera tigris*).

24 (C) Leopards (*Panthera pardus*).

25 (D) Snow leopards (*Panthera uncia*).

26 (E) Jaguars (*Panthera onca*).

27 (F) Mountain lions (*Puma concolor*).

28 (G) Any hybrid of a species listed in clauses (A) through

29 (F).

30 (2) A bear (Ursidae)

Status: 2021-02-11 - Referred to the Courts and Criminal Code pursuant to House Rule 127

Hearing Info: Feb 16 @ 8:30 am in House Chamber

IN HB 1420- Updated (2nd Reading 2/01/2021)

Title: [Agricultural emergency procedures.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Donald Lehe [R]

Abstract: Agricultural emergency procedures. Amends the powers of the board of animal health (board) to allow cooperation with animal owners and law enforcement to plan for, prepare for, respond to, and recover from all hazardous emergencies in Indiana. Allows the board to delegate the duty to adopt emergency rules to the state veterinarian. Amends the board's emergency powers to take certain actions if an emergency event has occurred or a disease or pest in animal products presents a health hazard. Allows the board to issue emergency orders. Allows the board to facilitate the prompt disposal of animals in an emergency event. Provides that an animal may be buried on the owner's premises according to standards approved by the board. Allows the board to adopt rules restricting animal disposal methods in order to control disease and pests in animals and chemical or radiological substances. Allows the state egg board to adopt emergency rules when there is a declared emergency or sudden disruption that affects the commerce of eggs. Allows for service of notice in administrative hearings. Amends the authorization to use electrocution under the criminal statutes concerning offenses against animals.

Status: Introduced on January 14 2021 - 25% progression

IN [R] HB 1472 Updated (New 1/14/2021) **Anti-Farming**

Title: [Right to farm](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Sue Errington [D]

Abstract: Right to farm. Provides that an agricultural or industrial operation is negligent if the person or persons that own, operate, manage, or otherwise control the operation fail to use reasonable care in any of the following aspects relating to the operation: (1) Siting. (2) Design. (3) Construction. (4) Management. (5) Control. (6) Operation. (7) Change to the size or type of operation. Makes findings of the general assembly relating to agricultural operations.

Status: 2021-01-14 - First reading: referred to Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development

IA [R] HF 59 Updated (Introduced New 1/14/2021)

Title: [A bill for an act prohibiting cities and counties from banning specific dog breeds.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Jennifer Konfrst [D]

Status: Action: 2021-01-14 - Introduced, referred to Local Government. H.J. 91.

IA HF 623 Updated (Introduced 2/22/2021)

Title: [A bill for an act providing that a licensed veterinarian is immune from administrative, civil, or criminal liability in investigations or proceedings involving the mistreatment of animals. \(Formerly HSB 170.\)](#)

Sponsor: House Local Government Committee

Status: Introduced on February 22 2021 - 25% progression

Action: 2021-02-22 - Introduced, placed on calendar. H.J. 495.

IA HSB 95 Updated (Introduced 1/20/2021)

Title: A bill for an act relating to the powers and duties of the department of agriculture and land stewardship, including by providing for administration, programs, and regulations, providing fees, providing penalties, and making penalties applicable

Sponsor: House Agriculture Committee

Status: 2021-01-28 - Subcommittee recommends amendment and passage. Vote Total: 3-0

IA HSB157 Updated (Hearing Scheduled) Fur Pre-Ban

Title: A bill for an act relating to entering private property by persons using dogs while fur harvesting or training dogs on fur-bearing animals, and providing penalties.

Sponsor: House Natural Resources Committee

Status: 2021-01-27 - Subcommittee: Jeneary, Gerhold and Hall.

[Hearing: Feb 8 @ 11:30 am]

To House Natural Resources Committee

IA HSB 170 Updated (Introduced 2/08/2021) Vet Immunity

Title: A bill for an act providing that a licensed veterinarian is immune from administrative, civil, or criminal liability in investigations or proceedings involving the mistreatment of animals.

Sponsor: House Local Government Committee

Status: 2021-02-08 - Subcommittee Meeting: 02/09/2021 8:30AM House Lounge

IA SF 1 Updated (Introduced New 1/11/2021) Anti-Farming/CAFO

Title: A bill for an act relating to animal feeding operations, by providing for certain air and water quality regulations, including when two or more related confinement feeding operations are deemed to be a single operation, making penalties applicable, and including effective date and applicability provisions.

Action: 2021-01-12 - Subcommittee: Rozenboom, Edler, and Kinney.

Pending: Senate Agriculture Committee

IA SF 85 Updated (Introduced 1/19/2021)

Title: A bill for an act providing for the protection of rabbits from mistreatment, and making penalties applicable.

Sponsor: Sen. Amy Sinclair [R]

Status: 2021-01-19 - Subcommittee: Costello, Green, and Mathis. S.J. 122.

Pending: Senate Agriculture Committee

IA SF 302 Updated (Introduced 2/11/2021)

Title: A bill for an act relating to animals subject to complaints alleging mistreatment, including by providing for the inspection of premises, the removal of animals, the care of animals in custody, and the disposition of animals by court order, and providing penalties.

Sponsor: Sen. Dennis Guth [R]

Status: 2021-02-11 - Subcommittee: Garrett, Boulton, and Shipley. S.J. 332.

Pending: Senate Judiciary Committee

IA SF421 Updated (Introduced 2/21/2021)

Title: [A bill for an act prohibiting interference with the transportation of an agricultural animal, and providing penalties. \(Formerly SSB 1166.\)](#)

Sponsor: Senate Transportation Committee

Status: Introduced on February 18 2021 - 25% progression
2021-02-18 - Committee report, approving bill. S.J. 410.

****IA SSB 1195** Updated (Introduced 2/18/2021) **Passed Senate Agriculture Subcommittee**

Title: [A bill for an act limiting local legislation that prohibits the operation of an animal enterprise or the use of a working animal.](#)

Sponsor: Senate Agriculture Committee

KS HB 2204 Updated (Introduced 2/2/2021) **CG Supports**

Title: [Prohibiting the use of identifiable meat terms on labels of meat analogs without either an accompanying disclaimer that the product does not contain meat or the inclusion of the word "imitation" before the name of the meat food product being imitated.](#)

Sponsor: House Agriculture Committee

Status: 2021-02-02 - House Introduced

KS HB 2364 Updated (Introduced 2/11/2021)

Title: [Defining torturing for the purposes of the crime of cruelty to animals.](#)

Sponsor: House Judiciary Committee

Status: Introduced on February 11 2021 - 25% progression

KY [R] HB 57 - Updated (New 01/06/2021) **PACT Act**

Title: [AN ACT relating to torture of a dog or cat.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Chris Freeland (R-KY)

Abstract: Amend KRS 525.135, relating to torture of a dog or cat, to add specific acts to definition of torture; make all violations a Class D felony; make each act of torture prosecutable as a separate offense; make the exemptions applicable only where there is no intent to cause, increase, or prolong the pain and suffering of the dog or cat.

Status: introduced in House - 01/05/2021

KY [R] HB 99 - Updated (New 01/06/2021) **Vehicular Immunity**

Title: [AN ACT relating to the safety of canines and felines.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Cherlynn Stevenson (D-KY)

Abstract: Create a new section of KRS Chapter 411 to provide civil immunity for damaging a vehicle if a person enters the vehicle with the reasonable, good-faith belief that a dog or cat is in immediate danger of death if not removed.

Status: introduced in House - 01/05/2021

KY [R] HB 100 - Updated (New 01/06/2021) **8A & 5A Violation**

Title: [AN ACT relating to animal cruelty.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Cherlynn Stevenson (D-KY)

Abstract: 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; prohibit the destruction of seized animals, except for humane reasons determined by veterinarian.

Status: introduced in House - 01/05/2021

KY [R] HB 215 - Updated (New 01/08/2021) **8A Violation**

Title: [AN ACT relating to animals.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Jason Nemes (R-KY)

Abstract: Repeal and reenact KRS 525.135 to define terms; create new crimes of animal abuse in the first degree, animal abuse in the second degree, and aggravated animal abuse; create exceptions; create a new section of KRS Chapter 525 to authorize law enforcement and animal control officers to seize and hold animals who are victims of cruelty or abuse; create a civil cause of action for a seizing agency to seek forfeiture and reimbursement for reasonable costs of caring for seized animals from the owner of the animal during the pendency of the criminal case against the owner; create rules related to the custody of the seized animal; grant liability to an organization caring for the animal; create a new section of KRS Chapter 525 to grant civil immunity to a person who enters a car containing a dog ...

Status: introduced in House to Committee on Committees (H) – 01/07/2021

KY [R] SB 33 - Updated (New 01/06/2021) **Vehicular Immunity**

Title: [AN ACT relating to the safety of canines and felines.](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Danny Carroll (R-KY)

Abstract: Create a new section of KRS Chapter 411 to provide civil immunity for damaging a vehicle if a person enters the vehicle with the reasonable, good-faith belief that a dog or cat is in immediate danger of death if not removed.

Status: introduced in Senate to Committee on Committees (S) – 01/05/2021

KY [R] SB 57 - Updated (New 01/06/2021)

Title: [AN ACT relating to assistance dogs.](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Jimmy Higdon (R-KY)

Abstract: Amend KRS 258.500 to prohibit the misrepresentation of assistance dogs; allow peace officers to investigate; amend KRS 258.991 to remove jail penalty and to conform.

Status: introduced in Senate to Committee on Committees (S) – 01/05/2021

KY [R] SB 59 - Updated (New 01/06/2021) Retail Pet shop Ban

Title: [AN ACT relating to the sale of dogs, cats, and rabbits in retail pet shops.](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Denise Harper Angel (D-KY)

Abstract: 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, cats, and rabbits; allow retail pet shops to collaborate with animal shelters to showcase dogs, cats, or rabbits; require retail pet shops to maintain records documenting the source of each dog, cat, or rabbit it sells for at least one year; amend KRS 258.990 to include a penalty for retail pet shop operators who violate this Act.

Status: introduced in Senate to Committee on Committees (S) – 01/05/2021

KY [R] SB 82 - Updated (New 01/08/2021)

Title: [AN ACT relating to animal ownership.](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Adrienne Southworth (R-KY)

Abstract: Create a new section of KRS 258.095 to 258.500 to enable local governments to legislate enforcement action for dog and welfare safety, so long as that the ordinance, regulation, or policy does not regulate ownership of a dog based on its breed or perceived breed and is consistent with state law.

Status: introduced in Senate to Committee on Committees (S) – 01/07/2021

MD [R] HB 81 - Updated (Hearing 01/14/2021) Extreme Weather

Title: [Crimes - Unattended Dogs in Extreme Weather Conditions](#)

Sponsor: Lehman

Status: First Reading Environment and Transportation - 01/13/2021
Hearing 1/15 at 11:00 a.m.

MD [R] HB 154 - Updated (Text, Status 12/29/2020)

Title: [Civil Actions - Tortious Injury to or Death of Pet - Compensatory Damages \(Buddy's Law\)](#)

Sponsor: Bartlett

Status: Text - First - Civil Actions - Tortious Injury to or Death of Pet - Compensatory Damages (Buddy's Law) – 12/23/2021

MD [R] HB 281 - (HEARING SCHEDULED) AC Training

Title: [Criminal Law - Humane Society and Animal Control Officers - Education and Training Requirements](#)

Sponsor: Chang

Status: Hearing 1/29 at 1:30 p.m.

MD [R] HB 293 - Updated (Hearing 01/14/2021) **Anti-Hunting**

Title: [Natural Resources - Organized Killing Contests - Restriction](#)

Sponsor: Stein

Status: Text - First - Natural Resources - Organized Killing Contests - Restriction - 12/22/2021 Jan 15 @ 11:00 am

***MD HB 1080** Updated (Introduced 2/20/2021) **HEARING SCHEDULED**

Title: [Criminal Law – Animal Cruelty – Petition for Costs for Care of Seized Animal](#)

Sponsor: Del. David Moon [D]

Abstract: Authorizing, if an animal is seized under a certain provision of law, certain individuals to file a petition for certain costs against a certain owner or custodian for certain costs of caring for the animal, including the provision of food, water, shelter, and medical care; requiring that a certain petition be filed within 7 days after criminal charges are filed; providing for the service of the petition; requiring the court to set and hold a certain hearing; requiring a certain petitioner to present certain evidence at the hearing; etc.

Status: **Mar 4 @ 1:30 pm House Judiciary Hearing**

MD [R] SB 103 - Updated (HEARING SCHEDULED) **RETAIL PESHOP BAN**

Title: [Business Regulation - Retail Pet Stores - Modifications \(No More Puppy- and Kitten-Mills Act of 2021\)](#)

Sponsor: Kramer

Status: Text - First - Business Regulation - Retail Pet Stores - Modifications (No More Puppy- and Kitten-Mills Act of 2021) – 12/23/2021 Jan 21 @ 1:00 pm Senate Finance Hearing

MD [R] SB 122 - Updated (HEARING SCHEDULED) **Extreme Weather**

Title: [Crimes - Unattended Dogs in Extreme Weather Conditions](#)

Sponsor: Kramer

Status: Hearing 1/20 at 11:00 a.m.

MD [R] SB 159 - Updated (HEARING SCHEDULED) **AC Training**

Title: [Criminal Law - Humane Society and Animal Control Officers - Education and Training Requirements](#)

Sponsor: Waldstreicher

Status: Hearing 1/20 at 11:00 a.m.

MD [R] SB 200 - Updated (Hearing 01/14/2021)

Title: [Natural Resources - Organized Killing Contests - Restriction](#)

Sponsor: Young

Abstract: Prohibiting a person from sponsoring, conducting, or participating in organized contests that have the objective of killing a coyote, fox, or raccoon for prizes or monetary awards except under certain circumstances; and

establishing a fine of \$25 for each coyote, fox, or raccoon killed in violation of the Act.

Status: First Reading Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs - 01/13/2021

Hearing: Jan 21 @ 11:00 am Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Hearing

MD [R] SB 282 - Updated (Text, Status 12/29/2020)

Title: [Public Health - Prohibition on Testing Cosmetics on Animals](#)

Sponsor: Lam

Status: Text - First - Public Health - Prohibition on Testing Cosmetics on Animals

MD [R] SB 292 - Updated (HEARING SCHEDULED)

Title: [Civil Actions - Tortious Injury to or Death of Pet - Compensatory Damages \(Buddy's Law\)](#)

Sponsor: Beidle

Status: Hearing 2/02 at 1:00 p.m.

***MD SB 545** -Updated (Introduced 1/29/2021) **HEARING SCHEDULED Task Force**

Title: [Task Force to Study Canine Breeding Facilities](#)

Sponsor: Sen. J.B. Jennings [R]

Abstract: Establishing the Task Force to Study Canine Breeding Facilities; requiring the Task Force to study achievements made in the past 20 years in combating substandard canine breeding practices and current efforts and standards relating to canine breeding; requiring the Task Force to make recommendations and report its findings to the Governor and General Assembly on or before December 1, 2021; etc.

Status: 2021-01-29 - Hearing 2/18 at 1:00 p.m.

Senate Finance Committee

Feb 18 @ 1:00 pm Senate Finance Hearing

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***MD SB 760** -Updated (Introduced 2/05/2021) **Hearing Scheduled 8A Violation**

Title: [Criminal Law – Animal Cruelty – Petition for Costs for Care of Seized Animal](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Justin Ready [R]

Abstract: Authorizing, if an animal is seized under a certain provision of law, certain individuals to file a petition for certain costs against a certain owner or custodian for reasonable costs of caring for the animal, including the provision of food, water, shelter, and medical care; requiring that a certain petition be filed within 7 days after criminal charges are filed; providing for the service of the petition; requiring the court to set and hold a certain hearing; requiring a certain petitioner to present certain evidence at the hearing; etc.

Status: **Hearing: Mar 10 @ 12:00 pm**

Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee

ME [R] LD 66 - Updated (Status 01/12/2021)

Title: [An Act To Improve Livestock and Poultry Preparation](#)
Sponsor: Rep. Michelle Dunphy (D-ME)
Status: Received by the Clerk of the House on January 11, 2021. The Bill was REFERRED to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule401.

ME [R] LD 88 - Updated (Status 01/12/2021)

Title: [An Act To Amend Maine's Wildlife Laws Regarding Species of Special Concern](#)
Sponsor: Rep. Lester Ordway (R-ME)
Status: Received by the Clerk of the House on January 11, 2021. The Bill was REFERRED to the Committee on INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 401. - 01/11/2021

LegiScan has no record of this bill yet.

****ME [R] LD 103** - Updated (Status 2/08/2021) **HEARING SCHEDULED**

Title: [An Act To Improve the Animal Welfare Laws](#)
Sponsor: Rep. William Pluecker (I-ME)
Status: **Joint Committee on AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY Feb 25 @ 9:30 am**

ME LD 561 Updated (Introduced 2/22/2021)

Title: [Resolve, To Improve Standards for Animal Rescue Entities](#)
Sponsor: Rep. Paul Stearns [R] Sen. Russell Black [R] Sen. Paul Davis [R] Rep. Maryanne Kinney [R] Rep. Scott Landry [D]
Status: 2021-02-22 - The Resolve was REFERRED to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 401.

MI SB 50 Updated (Introduced 1/27/2021)

Title: [Crimes: animals; knowingly providing an animal to another individual who intends to abuse or mistreat the animal; prohibit. Amends secs. 49 & 50 of 1931 PA 328 \(MCL 750.49 & 750.50\). TIE BAR WITH: SB 0051'21](#)
Sponsor: Sen. Michael MacDonald [R], Sen. Paul Wojno [D],
Status: 2021-01-27 - Referred To Committee On Judiciary And Public Safety

MI SB 51 Updated (Introduced 1/27/2021)

Title: [Criminal procedure: sentencing guidelines; sentencing guidelines for crimes of animal cruelty; amend. Amends sec. 16b, ch. XVII of 1927 PA 175 \(MCL 777.16b\). TIE BAR WITH: SB 0050'21](#)
Sponsor: Sen. Paul Wojno [D], Sen. Michael MacDonald [R]
Status: 2021-01-27 - Referred To Committee On Judiciary And Public Safety

MN HF 208 Updated (Introduced 1/21/2021) **Companion Animal Board**

Title: [Minnesota Companion Animal Board established, duties and responsibilities provided, companion animal license plate established, duties transferred, report required, rulemaking authorized, and money appropriated.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Mike Freiberg [D]

Status: 2021-01-21 - Introduction and first reading, referred to State Government Finance and Elections

MN [R] SF 73 - Updated (New 01/13/2021) **Companion Animal Board**

Title: [Companion animal board establishment; companion animal license plate establishment; appropriation](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Carrie Ruud (R-MN)

Status: Referred to Agriculture and Rural Development Finance and Policy - 01/14/2021 2021-01-25 - Author added Duckworth

MN SF 370 -Updated (Introduced 1/28/2021) **See Also HF 858 Retail Pet Shop Ban**

Title: [Retail pet shop dogs and cats sales prohibition](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Karla Bigham [D]

Status: 2021-01-28 - Referred to Agriculture and Rural Development Finance and Policy

MO HB 111 Updated (Status Introduced 1/6/2021) **Vehicular Immunity**

Title: [Provides immunity from civil liability for persons who render assistance to animals trapped in motor vehicles](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Gretchen Bangert [D]

Status: 2021-01-07 - Read Second Time (H)

MO [R] HB 222 -Updated (Status 01/07/2021) **Animal Abuse Registry**

Title: [Increases the penalties for the offense of animal abuse and establishes an animal abuse registry](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Ingrid Burnett (D-MO)

Status: Read Second Time - 01/07/2021

MO HB 221 Updated (Introduced 1/6/2021)

Title: [Increases the penalties for the offense of animal abuse](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Ingrid Burnett [D]

Status: 2021-01-07 - Read Second Time (H)

MO HB 231 Updated (Introduced 1/6/2021)

Title: [Modifies the penalties for the offense of animal abuse](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Charles Basye [R]

Status: 2021-01-07 - Read Second Time (H)

MO [R] HB 276 - Updated (Status 01/07/2021) **Animal Abuse Registry**

Title: [Establishes an animal abuse registry](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Tom Hannegan (R-MO)
Status: Read Second Time - 01/07/2021

MO [R] HB 365 - Updated (Status 01/07/2021)

Title: [Prohibits villages, towns, and cities from regulating dogs in a breed-specific manner](#)
Sponsor: Rep. David Gregory (R-MO)
Status: Read Second Time- 1/7/2021

MO [R] HB 373 - Updated (Status 01/28/2021) **Redefining Cruelty**

Title: [Modifies provisions relating to offenses against animals](#)
Sponsor: Rep. Tom Hannegan (R-MO)
Status: 2021-01-28 - Referred: Crime Prevention(H)
House Crime Prevention Committee

MO [R] HB 434 - Updated (Status 01/07/2021) **Tax Credit**

Title: [Authorizes a tax credit to offset fees from the adoption of rescue animals](#)
Sponsor: Rep. LaDonna Appelbaum (D-MO)
Status: Read Second Time - 01/07/2021

****MO [R] HB 589** - Updated (Status 01/28/2021) **HEARING SCHEDULED**

Title: [Modifies provisions relating to the confiscation of animals](#)
Sponsor: Rep. Jeff Knight (R-MO)
Status: **House Agriculture Policy Committee**
Hearing: Feb 23 @ 8:00 am

MO [R] HB 643 - Updated (Status 01/07/2021) **Redefining Cruelty**

Title: [Changes the law regarding animal abuse](#)
Sponsor: Rep. Tom Hannegan (R-MO)
Status: Read Second Time - 01/07/2021

*****MO [R] HB 647** - Updated (Status 01/07/2021)

Title: [Modifies provisions relating to working animals](#)
Sponsor: Rep. Bradley Pollitt (R-MO)
Status: Read Second Time - 01/07/2021

MO HB 903 Updated (Introduced 1/26/2021)

Title: [Establishes the "Prevent Animal Incapacitation Now Act"](#)
Sponsor: Rep. Tony Lovasco [R]
Status: 2021-01-26 - Introduced and Read First Time (H)

MO [R] SB 71 - Updated (Status 01/06/2021)

Title: [Modifies provisions relating to protection orders, including protective orders for household pets](#)

Abstract: Under this act, adult protection orders and child protection orders, full or ex parte, may be granted to restrain or enjoin an individual from committing or threatening to commit abuse against a pet. A protection order may include an order of custody of the pet where appropriate, as well as any funds needed to cover the medical costs resulting from abuse of the pet. ""Pet"" is defined in this act as a living creature

maintained by a household member for companionship and not for commercial purposes.

Status: S First Read - 01/06/2021

MO [R] SB 107 - Updated (Status 01/06/2021)

Title: [Prohibits villages, towns, and cities from regulating dogs in a breed-specific manner](#)

Abstract: SB 107 - Under this act, a village, town, city, or county may prohibit dogs from running at large or further control or regulate dogs within its boundaries so long as the ordinance, order, policy, or regulation is not breed specific.

Status: S First Read - 01/06/2021

*****MO [R] SB 159** - Updated (Text 12/07/2020) **Passed Senate Agriculture, Food Production And Outdoor Resources Committee**

Title: [Modifies provisions relating to working animals](#)

Abstract: SB 159 - Under this act, no law, ordinance, or rule shall be enacted by any political subdivision of the state that terminates, bans, or effectively bans, by creating undue financial hardship, the job or use of working animals or an enterprise employing working animals.

***MO [R] SB 201** - Updated (Text 12/08/2020)

Title: [Modifies provisions relating to the confiscation of animals](#)

Abstract: Under this act, such warrant is to confiscate, rather than impound animals. All warrants shall be served in the presence of a law enforcement official.

Status: [To Senate Agriculture, Food Production And Outdoor Resources Committee](#)

MS [R] HB 80 - Updated (New 01/07/2021) **TABLED**

Title: [Dogs; regulate and provide penalties for those with a history of biting.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Nick Bain (R-MS)

Abstract: AN ACT TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR ANY PERSON WHO INTENTIONALLY OR NEGLIGENTLY CAUSES A DOG TO BITE, WOUND OR INFLICT INJURY UPON ANOTHER PERSON; TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR ANY DOG OWNER OR PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR A DOG WHICH HAS A HISTORY OF BITING OR PROPENSITY TO BITE AND NEGLIGENTLY ALLOWS THE DOG TO ESCAPE OR INJURE ANOTHER PERSON; TO PROVIDE ENHANCED PENALTIES IF INJURIES CAUSED IN VIOLATION OF THIS ACT RESULT IN DEATH OR MUTILATION; TO AUTHORIZE CIVIL REMEDIES FOR ANY PERSON HARMED IN VIOLATION OF THIS ACT; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

Status: Referred To Judiciary B - 01/07/2021

*****MS [R] SB 2091** - Updated (New 01/07/2021) **Died In Committee**

Title: [Domestic abuse; allow protection of pets in a protection order.](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Angela Hill (R-MS)

Abstract: AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 93-21-3, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REVISE DEFINITIONS IN THE PROTECTION FROM DOMESTIC ABUSE ACT; TO AMEND SECTION 93-21-15, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO AUTHORIZE A

COURT, IN ISSUING A PROTECTION ORDER, TO INCLUDE THE PROTECTION OF PETS IN THE ORDER; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

Status: Referred To Judiciary, Division A – 01/07/2021

****Also Died In Committee: [SB2114- Abuser Registry](#)
[SB2390- Wildlife Trafficking Prevention Act](#)

MT HB 305 Updated (Introduced 2/3/2021)

Title: [Generally revise laws related to roadside menageries, wildlife sanctuaries, zoos](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Seth Berglee [R]

Status: House Fish, Wildlife, and Parks Committee

(C) Printed - New Version Available

MT [R] SB98 Updated (Prefiled 1/21/2021) **HEARING SCHEDULED**

Title: [Revising laws related to grizzly bear take in defense of persons and livestock](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Bruce Gillespie [R]

Status: 2021-01-21 - (S) Hearing (S) Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation

Hearing: Jan 21 @ 3:00 pm in Room 335

MT [R] SB26 Updated (New 1/19/2021) Hearing Scheduled

Title: [Clarify use of tribal agreements for livestock producers within reservations](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Bruce Gillespie [R]

Status: Jan 26 @ 3:00 pm in Room 137

***NE LB 331 Update** (Introduced 1/13/2021) Hearing Scheduled **CG Support?**

Title: [Prohibit contractual criminal enforcement of certain offenses related to animals](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Justin Wayne [N]

Status: **[Hearing: Mar 4 @ 9:30 am]**

To Legislature Judiciary Committee

NE LB 395 Updated (1/14/2021)

Title: [Change hunting provisions under the Game Law](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Timothy Gragert [N]

Status: Introduced on January 14 2021

ND [R] SB 2071 - Updated (Status 01/08/2021) Racehorse

Title: [Not Titled](#)

Sponsor: Judiciary

Abstract: Act to amend and reenact sections 53-06.2-01, 53-06.2-03, and 53-06.2-04, subsection 3 of section 53-06.2-07, and sections 53-06.2-10, 53-06.2-10.1, 53-06.2-11, and 53-06.2-15 of the North Dakota Century Code,

relating to pari-mutuel wagering events and requiring the racing commission to adopt model rules and standards.

Status: Reported back, do not pass, placed on calendar 7 0 0; Second reading, failed to pass, yeas 0 nays 47 – 01/08/2021

ND [R] SB 2216 Updated (Hearing Scheduled 1/28/2021) **CAFO**

Title: [The definition of location for animal feeding operations.](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Larry Luick [R]

Abstract: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subdivision d of subsection 1 of section 58-03-11.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the definition of location for animal feeding operations.

Status: 2021-01-28 - Committee Hearing 09:00 Jan 28 @ 9:00 am in Agriculture Committee

***NH [R] HB 92** - Updated (Status 1/10/2021)

Title: [establishing a committee to study best practices for companion animal groomers.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Jim Maggiore (D-NH)

Status: H: To Be Introduced 01/06/2021 and referred to Commerce and Consumer Affairs – 01/04/2021

NH [R] HB 249 - Updated (New 01/26/2021) **Shelter Regs**

Title: relative to animal shelter facilities.

Sponsor: Rep. Howard Pearl (R-NH)

Status: Committee Report: Ought to Pass with Amendment # 2021-0349h (Vote 18-0; Consent Calendar)

NH [R] HB 250 - Updated (New 01/10/2021) **Regulatory Change**

Title: [relative to pet vendors.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Howard Pearl (R-NH)

Abstract: This bill sets the limit of dogs, cats, and ferrets that may be transferred without a pet vendor license. This bill also creates an exemption from the requirement to obtain a pet vendor license for certain breeders of dogs and cats.

Status: 2021-01-26 - Public Hearing: 02/03/2021 09:00 am Members of the public may attend using the following link: To join the webinar:

<https://www.zoom.us/j/95965527325> / Executive session on pending legislation may be held throughout the day (time permitting) from the time the committee is initially convened.

Pending: House Environment and Agriculture Committee

NH [R] HB 322 - Updated (New 01/10/2021)

Title: [requiring a color photo of a dog, cat, or ferret on a rabies vaccination certificate.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Dave Testerman (R-NH)

Status: H: Introduced (in recess of) 01/06/2021 and referred to Environment and Agriculture – 01/09/2021

NH [R] HB 338 - Updated (New 01/10/2021)

Title: [relative to penalties for dog theft and tampering with a dog's radio collar.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Brian Sullivan (D-NH)

Status: H: Introduced (in recess of) 01/06/2021 and referred to Criminal Justice and Public Safety – 01/09/2021

NH [R] HB 366 - Updated (New 01/10/2021) **HEARING SCHEDULED Hoarding**

Title: [defining animal hoarding.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Howard Pearl (R-NH)

Status: 2021-01-26 - Public Hearing: 02/03/2021 11:00 am Members of the public may attend using the following link: To join the webinar:

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Pending: House Environment and Agriculture Committee

NH [R] HB 367 Updated Hearing Scheduled **Interstate Import Requirements**

Title: [relative to animal health certificates and quarantine requirements for animals imported into the state.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Howard Pearl (R-NH)

Status: H: Introduced (in recess of) 01/06/2021 and referred to Environment and Agriculture [Hearing: Feb 17 @ 1:30 pm]

****NH [R] HB 431** - Updated (New 01/11/2021) **HEARING AC Training**

Title: [relative to the responsibilities of an elected animal control officer.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Scott Wallace (R-NH)

Status: [Hearing: Mar 1 @ 9:00 am]

To House Municipal and County Government Committee

NH HB 438 Updated Hearing (1/27/2021)

Title: [Relative to the confidentiality of animal records databases.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Barbara Comtois [R]

Status: [House Environment and Agriculture Committee](#)

NH [R] HB 529 -Updated **Redefining Cruelty/Wildlife Cruelty**

Title: [relative to cruelty to a wild animal, fish, or wild bird.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Ellen Read (D-NH)

Status: Committee Report: Ought to Pass (Vote 19-1; Consent Calendar) House Calendar 12 P. 7

NH [R] HB 532 - Updated (New 01/13/2021) **Animal Database/registry**

Title: [creating an animal records database.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Peter Bixby (D-NH)

Status: H: Introduced (in recess of) 01/06/2021 and referred to Environment and Agriculture – 01/12/2021

NJ [R] A 150 - Updated (New 01/15/2020) **Animal Sanctuary City**

Title: ["New Jersey Safe Haven for Protection of Domestic Companion Animals Act."](#)

Sponsor: Space, Parker

Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Agriculture Committee – 01/14/2020

NJ [R] A 194 - Updated (New 01/15/2020) **Rescue Registry**

Title: [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."](#)

Sponsor: Carter, Linda S.

Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Agriculture Committee - 01/14/2020

NJ [R] A 443 - Updated (New 01/15/2020) **4A Violation**

Title: [Prohibits persons violating animal cruelty law from owning, keeping, or harboring animals; requires DHSS establish and maintain website list of such persons.](#)

Sponsor: McGuckin, Gregory P.

Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Agriculture Committee – 01/14/2020

NJ [R] A 527 - Updated (New 01/15/2020) **Abuse Registry**

Title: [Establishes Animal Cruelty Offender Registry; prohibits purchase, adoption, and breeding of animals by animal cruelty offenders.](#)

Sponsor: Jimenez, Angelica M.

Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Agriculture Committee – 01/14/2020

NJ [R] A 592 - Updated (New 01/15/2020) **Shelter Regs**

Title: [Requires accountability of NJSPCA and county societies for prevention of cruelty to animals to Attorney General and county prosecutors, respectively.](#)

Sponsor: DiMaio, John

Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Agriculture Committee – 01/14/2020

NJ [R] A 594 - Updated (New 01/15/2020) **Shelter Regs**

Title: [Revises law concerning disposition of assets of a county society for the prevention of cruelty to animals that has dissolved or has had its charter revoked, canceled, or suspended.](#)

Sponsor: DiMaio, John

Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Agriculture Committee - 01/14/2020

NJ [R] A 661 - Updated (New 01/15/2020)

Title: [Requires kennels and veterinary facilities to provide for supervision of dogs, training of employees, and maintenance of certain records; designated as "Daisy's Law."](#)

Sponsor: Vainieri Huttle, Valerie

Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Agriculture Committee – 01/14/2020

NJ [R] A 663 - Updated (New 01/15/2020)

Title: ["Pet Groomers Licensing Act,"](#) designated as ["Bijou's Law."](#)

Sponsor: Vainieri Huttle, Valerie

Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Regulated Professions Committee - 01/14/2020

NJ [R] A 795 - Updated (New 01/15/2020)

Title: [Prohibits sale of cosmetic products that have been tested on animals.](#)

Sponsor: Verrelli, Anthony S.

Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Consumer Affairs Committee - 01/14/2020

NJ [R] A 905 - Updated (New 01/15/2020) **Rescue Legal Immunity**

Title: [Provides immunity from civil liability for persons performing animal rescue and authorizes formation of emergency animal rescue response units.](#)

Sponsor: Gove, DiAnne C.

Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Agriculture Committee – 01/14/2020

NJ [R] A 944 - Updated (New 01/15/2020)

Title: [Prohibits New Jersey Racing Commission from issuing licenses or granting permits to, or employing, persons convicted of or found liable for animal cruelty offenses.](#)

Sponsor: Karabinchak, Robert J.

Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Tourism, Gaming and the Arts Committee - 01/14/2020

NJ [R] A 1087 - Updated (New 01/15/2020) **Declawing Ban**

Title: [Prohibits surgical declawing of cats and other animals.](#)

Sponsor: Murphy, Carol A.

Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Agriculture Committee - 01/14/2020

NJ [R] A 1192 Updated (New 01/15/2020)

Title: ["Chiara's Law"; prohibits euthanizing animals in shelters or pounds except for health or safety reasons.](#)

Sponsor: Zwicker, Andrew

Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Agriculture Committee - 01/14/2020

NJ [R] A 1211 - Updated (New 01/15/2020) **Crop/Dock Ban**

Title: [Prohibits cropping or altering the tail or ears of dog; establishes as animal cruelty offense.](#)

Sponsor: Zwicker, Andrew

Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Agriculture Committee – 01/14/2020

NJ [R] A 1355 - Updated (New 01/15/2020) **Abuse Registry**

Title: Establishes animal abuser registry; prohibits person convicted of criminal animal cruelty violation from owning, keeping, or harboring any animal, and establishes enforcement mechanisms therefor.

Sponsor: Benson, Daniel R.

Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Agriculture Committee - 01/14/2020

NJ [R] A 1503 -Updated (New 01/15/2020) **Vet Regs**

Title: Requires prescriptions for animals to be issued in name of animal owner; prohibits unnamed persons from possessing prescribed drugs; and requires Prescription Monitoring Program to include information about controlled substances prescribed by v

Sponsor: Rooney, Kevin J.

Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Agriculture Committee - 01/14/2020

NJ [R] A 1572 – Updated (New 01/15/2020) *****2A Abuse Registry*****

Title: Prohibits possession of firearm by person convicted of animal cruelty.

Sponsor: Houghtaling, Eric

Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Judiciary Committee - 01/14/2020

NJ [R] A 1698 - Updated (New 01/15/2020)

Title: Creates rights of action for pecuniary damages against person committing certain harm to domestic companion animal.

Sponsor: Burzichelli, John J.

Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Agriculture Committee - 01/14/2020

NJ [R] A 1909 - Updated (New 01/15/2020) **Slaughter Ban**

Title: Establishes transporting for slaughter, selling or otherwise providing for slaughter, or slaughtering gestating cow as crime of fourth degree; establishes criminal and civil penalties therefor; designated as Brianna's Law.

Sponsor: Wimberly, Benjie E.

Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Agriculture Committee - 01/14/2020

NJ [R] A 1954 - Updated (New 01/15/2020)

Title: Establishes certain animal abuse offenses committed in manner manifesting extreme indifference to value of animal's life as crime of second degree; designated as ""River's Law.""

Sponsor: DiMaso, Serena

Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Agriculture Committee - 01/14/2020

NJ [R] A 1958 - Updated (New 01/15/2020) **Shelter Regs**

Title: Criminalizes impounding cat or dog in shelter, pound or kennel without consent of other party.

Sponsor: DiMaso, Serena

Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Agriculture Committee - 01/14/2020

NJ [R] A 2085 - Updated (New 01/15/2020) **Acquiring Rescue Inventory**
Title: Requires shelter, pound, or kennel operating as shelter or pound to offer animal in its care to animal rescue organization for adoption before euthanizing it; extends time required to offer animal for adoption from seven to 30 days.
Sponsor: Swain, Lisa
Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Agriculture Committee - 01/14/2020

NJ [R] A 2109 - Updated (New 01/15/2020) **Acquiring Rescue Inventory**
Title: Directs DOH to establish policies to reduce number of cats and dogs euthanized at shelters and pounds.
Sponsor: Swain, Lisa
Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Agriculture Committee - 01/14/2020

NJ [R] A 2319 - Updated (New 1/14/2021) **4A Violation**
Title: Prohibits persons convicted of criminal animal cruelty offenses from owning domestic companion animals and from working or volunteering at animal-related enterprises; designated as ""Moose's Law.""
Sponsor: Murphy, Carol A.
Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Agriculture Committee - 02/03/2020

NJ [R] A 2401 - Updated (New 1/14/2021)
Title: ""Responsible Dog Ownership Act.""
Sponsor: Wimberly, Benjie E.
Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Agriculture Committee - 02/03/2020

NJ [R] A 2426 - Updated (New 1/14/2021) **Acquiring Rescue Inventory**
Title: Permits certified animal control officer to enforce municipal animal ordinances; requires such officer to report person suspected of committing animal cruelty to municipal law enforcement officer.
Sponsor: Benson, Daniel R.
Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Agriculture Committee - 02/03/2020

NJ [R] A 2613 - Updated (New 1/14/2021)
Title: Establishes civil action for damages for injury or death of certain animals in certain circumstances.
Sponsor: Murphy, Carol A.
Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Judiciary Committee - 02/13/2020

NJ [R] A 2734 - Updated (New 1/14/2021) **Acquiring Rescue Inventory**
Title: Requires reporting of animal abuse by certain child protection agency employees.
Sponsor: Dancer, Ronald S.
Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Women and Children Committee - 02/13/2020

NJ [R] A 2829 - Updated (New 1/14/2021) **Vet Regs**

Title: [Upgrades penalties for violating certain veterinary practice licensure laws.](#)
Sponsor: Murphy, Carol A.
Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Regulated Professions Committee - 02/20/2020

NJ [R] A 2869 - Updated **Vet Regs**

Title: [Expands prescription monitoring program to include veterinarians.](#)
Sponsor: Dancer, Ronald S.
Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Health Committee - 02/20/2020

NJ [R] A 2992 - Updated **Acquiring Rescue Inventory**

Title: [Establishes certain requirements concerning animal rescue organizations, breeders, importation of cats and dogs, and sale or adoption of cats and dogs; revises shelter and pound law.](#)
Sponsor: Taliaferro, Adam J.
Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Agriculture Committee - 02/20/2020

NJ [R] A 3166 - Updated

Title: [Bars enforcement of provision in decedent's will that would require euthanasia of healthy domestic companion animal.](#)
Sponsor: Murphy, Carol A.
Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Judiciary Committee - 02/24/2020

NJ [R] A 3231 - Updated **Prefiled**

Title: [Establishes trunk fighting as animal cruelty offense and crime of the third degree.](#)
Sponsor: Dancer, Ronald S.
Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Agriculture Committee - 02/25/2020

NJ [R] A 3307 - Updated **Prefiled Abuse Registry**

Title: [Establishes NJ Animal Abuser Registry.](#)
Sponsor: McGuckin, Gregory P.
Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Agriculture Committee - 02/25/2020

NJ [R] A 3331 - Updated **Prefiled Note: Carryover of previous S3845 AC Training**

Title: [Exempts certain officers trained in animal cruelty from certain additional Police Training Commission training courses.](#)
Sponsor: Dunn, Aura K.
Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Agriculture Committee - 02/25/2020

NJ [R] A 3565 - Updated **Prefiled Note: Carryover of previous A4298**

Title: [Revises animal cruelty offenses and penalties concerning animal abandonment and failure to report injuring certain animals with a motor vehicle; increases civil penalties for certain other animal cruelty offenses.](#)
Sponsor: Benson, Daniel R.
Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Agriculture Committee - 02/25/2020

NJ [R] A 3606 - Updated **Prefiled Advisory Committee**

Title: [Establishes the "Advisory Committee on Law Enforcement Handler-Canine Training."](#)

Sponsor: Quijano, Annette

Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Law and Public Safety Committee - 03/05/2020

NJ [R] A 4083 - Updated **Prefiled Note: [Carryover of previous A2686](#) AC Training**

Title: [Requires certified animal control officers and animal cruelty investigators to engage in continuing education.](#)

Sponsor: Dancer, Ronald S.

Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Agriculture Committee - 05/07/2020

NJ [R] A 4167 - Updated (Text, Status 05/29/2020)

Title: [Requires DHS to provide psychiatric service dogs to first responders, health care workers, and other frontline workers suffering from post-traumatic stress disorders due to the COVID-19 pandemic.](#)

Sponsor: Dunn, Aura K.

Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Human Services Committee - 05/28/2020

NJ [R] A 4280 - Updated (Text, Status 06/19/2020)

Title: [Requires licensing of pet groomers and registration of certain other businesses; establishes certain licensing and operating requirements.](#)

Sponsor: Karabinchak, Robert J.

Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Regulated Professions Committee - 06/18/2020

NJ [R] A 4308 - Updated (Text, Status 06/26/2020) **Pet Shop Surveillance/Regs**

Title: [Requires pet shops to install and operate surveillance cameras inside and outside business and retain footage for at least 60 days.](#)

Sponsor: Mukherji, Raj

Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Agriculture Committee - 06/25/2020

NJ [R] A 4439 - Updated **Pig Gestation/Anti Farming**

Title: [Establishes animal cruelty offense of cruel confinement of a gestating pig.](#)

Sponsor: Mukherji, Raj

Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Agriculture Committee - 07/23/2020

NJ [R] A 4533 - Updated (Text 08/15/2020) **Animal Legal Advocate**

Title: [Provides for advocate in criminal cases concerning welfare or care of animal.](#)

Sponsor: Mukherji, Raj

Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Judiciary Committee - 08/13/2020

NJ [R] A 4540 - Updated (Text, Status 08/14/2020)

Title: [Provides immunity from civil and criminal liability for rescue of animal from motor vehicle under inhumane conditions.](#)

Sponsor: Vainieri Huttie, Valerie

Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Agriculture Committee - 08/13/2020

NJ [R] A 4644 - Updated (Text 09/16/2020) **Retail Petshop Ban**

Title: 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.""

Sponsor: Swain, Lisa

Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Agriculture Committee - 09/14/2020

NJ [R] A 4880 - Updated (Text 10/28/2020)

Title: Includes animal cruelty against victim's animal within definition of domestic violence and other types of abuse; establishes immunity for reporting animal cruelty; mandates reporting of animal cruelty in certain circumstances.

Sponsor: Benson, Daniel R.

Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Agriculture Committee - 10/26/2020

NJ [R] ACR 128 - Updated (Text 02/22/2020) **Interstate Retail Pet Shop Ban**

Title: Encourages municipalities to require that pet shops only sell cats or dogs obtained from shelters, pounds, or animal rescue organizations, and counties to enforce requirement wherever adopted.

Sponsor: Lampitt, Pamela R.

Status: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Agriculture Committee - 02/20/2020

NJ [R] S 119 - Updated (New 01/15/2020) **Abuser Registry**

Title: Establishes NJ Animal Abuser Registry.

Sponsor: Holzapfel, James W.

Status: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Environment and Energy Committee - 01/14/2020

NJ [R] S 325 - Updated (New 01/15/2020) **8A Violation**

Title: Establishes process for recovering cost of caring for animals involved in animal cruelty violations.

Sponsor: Diegnan, Patrick J., Jr.

Status: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Environment and Energy Committee - 01/14/2020

NJ [R] S 472 - Updated (New 01/15/2020) **Abuser Registry**

Title: Establishes Animal Cruelty Offender Registry; prohibits purchase, adoption, and breeding of animals by animal cruelty offenders.

Sponsor: Sacco, Nicholas J.

Status: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Environment and Energy Committee - 01/14/2020

NJ [R] S 614 - Updated (New 01/15/2020)

Title: [Establishes certain animal abuse offenses committed in manner manifesting extreme indifference to value of animal's life as crime of second degree; designated as ""River's Law.""](#)

Sponsor: O'Scanlon, Declan J., Jr.

Status: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Environment and Energy Committee - 01/14/2020

NJ [R] S 618 - Updated (New 01/15/2020) **Note: [Carryover of previous S3886](#)**

Title: [Criminalizes impounding cat or dog in shelter, pound, or kennel without consent of other party.](#)

Sponsor: O'Scanlon, Declan J., Jr.

Status: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Environment and Energy Committee - 01/14/2020

NJ [R] S 636 - Updated (New 01/15/2020) **Shelter Regs**

Title: [Establishes additional requirements for operation and oversight of animal shelters, pounds, kennels operating as shelters or pounds, and veterinary holding facilities.](#)

Sponsor: Greenstein, Linda R.

Status: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Economic Growth Committee - 01/14/2020

NJ [R] S 722 - Updated (New 01/15/2020) **Note: [Carryover of previous S4156](#)**

Title: [Establishes civil action for damages for injury or death of certain animals in certain circumstances.](#)

Sponsor: Addiego, Dawn Marie

Status: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee - 01/14/2020

NJ [R] S 740 - Updated (New 01/15/2020) **AC Training**

Title: [Exempts certain officers trained in animal cruelty from certain additional Police Training Commission training courses.](#)

Sponsor: Bucco, Anthony M.

Status: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Environment and Energy Committee - 01/14/2020

NJ [R] S 746 - Updated *****2A BAN*****

Title: [Prohibits possession of firearm by person convicted of animal cruelty.](#)

Sponsor: Gopal, Vin

Status: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Law and Public Safety Committee - 01/14/2020

NJ [R] S 787 - Updated (New 01/15/2020) **Shelter/Rescue Regs**

Title: 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.""

Sponsor: Scutari, Nicholas P.

Status: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Environment and Energy Committee – 01/14/2020

NJ [R] S 874 - Updated (Text 01/29/2020) **RETAIL PESHOP BAN**

Title: 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.""

Sponsor: Stack, Brian P.

Status: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Environment and Energy Committee – 01/27/2020

NJ [R] S 920 - Updated (Status 02/25/2020) **Declawing**

Title: Prohibits surgical declawing of cats and other animals.

Sponsor: Singleton, Troy

Status: Referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee - 02/24/2020

NJ [R] S 946 - Updated (Text 01/29/2020) **Acquiring Rescue Inventory**

Title: Directs DOH to establish policies to reduce number of cats and dogs euthanized at shelters and pounds.

Sponsor: Corrado, Kristin M.

Status: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee – 01/27/2020

NJ [R] S 975 - Updated (Status 10/20/2020)

Title: Establishes trunk fighting as animal cruelty offense and crime of the third degree.

Sponsor: Kean, Thomas H., Jr.

Status: Referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee – 10/19/2020

NJ [R] S 1034 - Updated (Text 10/21/2020)

Title: Provides for spaying and neutering stray or feral cats and establishes fund therefor; designated as ""Compassion for Community Cats Law.""

Sponsor: Stack, Brian P.

Status: Referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee – 10/19/2020

NJ [R] S 1054 - Updated (Text 02/01/2020)

Title: Requires owner notification of rabies testing protocol and owner options prior to testing of owner's animal for rabies.

Sponsor: Stack, Brian P.

Status: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Environment and Energy Committee – 01/30/2020

NJ [R] S 1175 - Updated (Text 02/05/2020) **Vehicular Immunity**
Title: Provides immunity from civil and criminal liability for rescue of animal from motor vehicle under inhumane conditions.
Sponsor: Cruz-Perez, Nilsa I.
Status: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Environment and Energy Committee - 02/03/2020

NJ [R] S 1177 - Updated (Text 02/05/2020) **8A Violation**
Title: Authorizes placement of involved animal with animal welfare agency or similar entity pending adjudication of alleged animal cruelty violation when not adjudicated in seven days.
Sponsor: Cruz-Perez, Nilsa I.
Status: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Environment and Energy Committee - 02/03/2020

NJ [R] S 1258 - Updated (Status 07/03/2020) **4A Violation**
Title: Prohibits persons convicted of criminal animal cruelty offenses from owning domestic companion animals and from working or volunteering at animal-related enterprises; establishes presumption against pretrial intervention for certain persons; des
Sponsor: Singleton, Troy
Status: Received in the Assembly, Referred to Assembly Agriculture Committee - 07/02/2020

NJ [R] S 1703 - Updated (Status 12/11/2020)
Title: Enhances penalty for failure to stop and report hitting, running over, or injuring of certain animals with motor vehicle where animal is killed.
Sponsor: Kean, Thomas H., Jr.
Status: Reported from Senate Committee, 2nd Reading - 12/10/2020

NJ [R] S 1726 - Updated (Text 02/15/2020) **Note: Carryover of previous A4818**
Title: Prohibits sale of cosmetic products that have been tested on animals.
Sponsor: Lagana, Joseph A.
Status: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Commerce Committee - 02/13/2020

NJ [R] S 1749 - Updated (Text 02/15/2020)
Title: Requires licensure of dog trainers.
Sponsor: Cruz-Perez, Nilsa I.
Status: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Commerce Committee -

NJ [R] S 1760 - Updated (Text 02/15/2020) **Hoarding**
Title: Establishes animal cruelty offense of animal hoarding; requires mental health counseling for all animal cruelty offenders.
Sponsor: Gopal, Vin
Status: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Environment and Energy Committee - 02/13/2020

NJ [R] S 1834 - Updated (Text, Status 02/25/2020) **Shelter Regs**

Title: [Establishes additional requirements for operation and oversight of animal shelters, pounds, and kennels operating as shelters or pounds.](#)

Sponsor: Greenstein, Linda R.

Status: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Environment and Energy Committee – 02/24/2020

NJ [R] S 1980 - Updated (Text, Status 02/26/2020) **Acquiring Rescue Inventory**

Title: [Permits certified animal control officer to enforce municipal animal ordinances; requires such officer to report person suspected of committing animal cruelty to municipal law enforcement officer.](#)

Sponsor: Greenstein, Linda R.

Status: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Environment and Energy Committee – 02/25/2020

NJ [R] S 2075 - Updated (Text 03/18/2020) **Creates Animal Sanctuary State**

Title: ["New Jersey Safe Haven for Protection of Domestic Companion Animals Act."](#)

Sponsor: Bucco, Anthony M.

Status: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Environment and Energy Committee – 03/16/2020

NJ [R] S 2179 - Updated (Text 03/18/2020)

Title: [Requires mental health evaluation for all animal cruelty offenders; designated as "Shyanne's Law."](#)

Sponsor: Vitale, Joseph F.

Status: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee – 03/16/2020

NJ [R] S 2223 - Updated (Text 03/18/2020) **Retail Petshop Ban**

Title: [Prohibits certain pet dealers from selling dogs or cats obtained from certain breeders and brokers; requires submission of annual report.](#)

Sponsor: Gopal, Vin

Status: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Environment and Energy Committee – 03/16/2020

NJ [R] S 2262 - Updated (Text 03/18/2020) **Advisory Committee**

Title: [Establishes the "Advisory Committee on Law Enforcement Handler-Canine Training."](#)

Sponsor: Cryan, Joseph P.

Status: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Law and Public Safety Committee – 03/16/2020

NJ [R] S 2530 - Updated (Text, Status 06/09/2020) **Pets hop Surveillance/Regs**

Title: [Requires pet shops to install and operate surveillance cameras inside and outside business and retain footage for at least 60 days.](#)

Sponsor: Stack, Brian P.

Status: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Environment and Energy Committee – 06/08/2020

NJ [R] S 2531 - Updated (Text, Status 06/09/2020)

Title: [Requires licensing of pet groomers and registration of certain other businesses; establishes certain licensing and operating requirements.](#)

Sponsor: Stack, Brian P.

Status: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Environment and Energy Committee - 06/08/2020

NJ [R] S 3168 - Updated (Text 11/11/2020)

Title: [Includes animal cruelty against victim's animal within definition of domestic violence and other types of abuse; establishes immunity for reporting animal cruelty; mandates reporting of animal cruelty in certain circumstances.](#)

Sponsor: Gopal, Vin

Status: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Environment and Energy Committee - 11/09/2020

NJ [R] S 3247 - Updated (Text 12/12/2020)

Title: [Eliminates requirement to have registration number tattooed on certain potentially dangerous dogs.](#)

Sponsor: Gopal, Vin

Status: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Environment and Energy Committee - 12/10/2020

NY [R] AB 135 - Updated (New 01/04/2021)

Title: [Provides for the registration and regulation of pet groomers; establishes standards of care, training and testing](#)

Sponsor: Asm. Amy Paulin (D-NY)

Abstract: Provides for the registration and regulation of pet groomers; establishes standards of care, training and testing; provides such applicant must be at least eighteen years of age.

Status: REFERRED TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - 01/06/2021

NY [R] AB 162 - Updated (New 01/04/2021) **Task Force**

Title: [Creates a task force on animal laws](#)

Sponsor: Asm. Linda Rosenthal (D-NY)

Abstract: Creates a task force on animal laws and requires reporting to the governor and legislature of recommendations on how to increase statewide uniformity of such.

Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE - 01/06/2021

NY [R] AB 173 - Updated (New 01/04/2021)

Title: [Relates to codifying animal cruelty laws under the penal law; repealer](#)

Sponsor: Asm. Linda Rosenthal (D-NY)

Abstract: Relates to codifying animal cruelty laws under the penal law; makes conforming technical changes.

Status: REFERRED TO CODES - 01/06/2021

NY [R] AB 288 - Updated (New 01/04/2021)

Title: [Provides that dogs engaged in hunting and training as authorized by the environmental conservation law, shall not be deemed to be running at large](#)

Sponsor: Asm. Aileen Gunther (D-NY)

Abstract: Provides that dogs engaged in hunting and training as authorized by the environmental conservation law, shall not be deemed to be running at large in violation of any local law or ordinance.

Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE – 01/06/2021

NY [R] AB 341 - Updated (New 01/04/2021)

Title: [Relates to the judicial process relating to a dog that caused death to a companion animal, farm animal or domestic animal while trespassing on property](#)

Sponsor: Asm. Kenneth Zebrowski (D-NY)

Abstract: Relates to the judicial process relating to a dog that causes the death of a companion animal, farm animal or domestic animal while trespassing on property.

Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE – 01/06/2021

NY [R] AB 342 - Updated (New 01/04/2021) **Carriage Law**

Title: [Prohibits the operation of horse drawn cabs in the city of New York; repealer](#)

Sponsor: Asm. Linda Rosenthal (D-NY)

Abstract: 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.

Status: REFERRED TO CITIES - 01/06/2021

NY [R] AB 456 - Updated (New 01/04/2021) **Wildlife Cruelty/Redefining Cruelty**

Title: [Includes wildlife animals as those subject to the animal cruelty provisions](#)

Sponsor: Asm. Linda Rosenthal (D-NY)

Abstract: Includes wildlife animals as those subject to the animal cruelty provisions of the agriculture and markets law.

Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE – 01/06/2021

NY [R] AB 474 - Updated (New 01/04/2021)

Title: [Relates to aggravated cruelty to animals in the presence of a child](#)

Sponsor: Asm. Linda Rosenthal (D-NY)

Abstract: Relates to aggravated cruelty to animals in the presence of a child; increases the potential term of imprisonment from two to four years when such crime is committed in the presence of a child; defines presence of a child.

Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE – 01/06/2021

NY [R] AB 475 - Updated (New 01/04/2021) **Anti-Farming**

Title: [Confinement of animals for food producing purposes](#)

Sponsor: Asm. Linda Rosenthal (D-NY)

Abstract: Pertains to confinement of animals for food producing purposes; prohibits any person to tether or confine any pig during pregnancy, calf raised for veal, or egg-laying hen who is kept on a farm for all or the majority of any day in a manner that prevents such animal from lying down, standing up and fully extending its limbs and turning around freely; establishes that commission of such crime shall constitute a class A misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for a period not to exceed one year and/or fine not to exceed \$1,000.

Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE – 01/06/2021

NY [R] AB 510 - Updated (New 01/04/2021)

Title: [Relates to orders of protection with respect to companion animals](#)

Sponsor: Asm. Linda Rosenthal (D-NY)

Abstract: Relates to orders of protection with respect to companion animals; provides further protection for pets by authorizing the court to order a party to either relinquish a pet or to refrain from any contact with a pet.

Status: REFERRED TO JUDICIARY – 01/06/2021

NY [R] AB 524 - Updated (New 01/04/2021) **4A Violation**

Title: [Prohibits a person convicted of violating ""Buster's Law"" from owning or possessing a companion animal](#)

Sponsor: Asm. Linda Rosenthal (D-NY)

Abstract: Prohibits a person convicted of ""Buster's Law"" from owning or possessing a companion animal unless authorized by court order, after appropriate psychiatric or psychological testing.

Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE – 01/06/2021

NY [R] AB 536 - Updated (New 01/04/2021)

Title: [Relates to promoting understanding, awareness and enforcement of animal crimes laws; repealer](#)

Sponsor: Asm. Linda Rosenthal (D-NY)

Abstract: Relates to promoting understanding, awareness and enforcement of animal crime laws.

Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE – 01/06/2021

NY [R] AB 614 - Updated (New 01/04/2021) **Bestiality**

Title: [Establishes the crimes of sexual conduct with an animal resulting in injury or death and sexual conduct with an animal](#)

Sponsor: Asm. Linda Rosenthal (D-NY)

Abstract: Establishes the crimes of sexual conduct with an animal resulting in injury or death and sexual conduct with an animal; makes such crimes a class E felony and class A misdemeanor, respectively.

Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE – 01/06/2021

NY [R] AB 636 - Updated (New 01/04/2021)

Title: [Requires higher education research facilities to provide information to the department of education regarding dogs or cats available for adoption](#)

Sponsor: Asm. Linda Rosenthal (D-NY)

Abstract: Requires higher education research facilities to provide information to the department of education regarding dogs or cats available for adoption and requires higher education research facilities to hold such dogs or cats for fourteen days.

Status: REFERRED TO HIGHER EDUCATION – 01/06/2021

NY [R] AB 644 - Updated (New 01/04/2021) **Tax Credit**

Title: [Relates to providing a tax credit for spay or neuter services](#)

Sponsor: Asm. Linda Rosenthal (D-NY)

Abstract: Provides a tax credit for spay or neuter services.

Status: REFERRED TO WAYS AND MEANS – 01/06/2021

NY [R] AB 652 - Updated (New 01/04/2021) **Tax Credit**

Title: [Relates to creating a tax credit for the adoption of household pets from animal shelter or humane society](#)

Sponsor: Asm. Linda Rosenthal (D-NY)

Abstract: Creates a tax credit for the adoption of household pets from animal shelters or humane societies; up to \$100 per animal with a maximum of three household pets.

Status: REFERRED TO WAYS AND MEANS – 01/06/2021

NY [R] AB 696 - Updated (Text, Status 01/05/2021)

Title: [Relates to promoting animal fighting; and repeals certain provisions of such law relating thereto](#)

Sponsor: Asm. Kenneth Zebrowski (D-NY)

Abstract: Relates to promoting animal fighting and appropriately punishing individuals associated with such activities.

Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE - 01/06/2021

NY [R] AB 776 - Updated (Text, Status 01/05/2021) **Pet Shop Regs**

Title: [Requires pet dealers and pet shops to provide certain breeder and health information to purchasers of animals](#)

Sponsor: Asm. Amy Paulin (D-NY)

Abstract: Requires pet dealers and pet shops to provide certain breeder and health information to purchasers of animals.

Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE – 01/06/2021

NY [R] AB 1200 - Updated (New 01/08/2021)

Title: [Provides an exemption for drugs and medicines for companion and farm animals](#)

Sponsor: Asm. Linda Rosenthal (D-NY)

Abstract: Relates to providing an exemption for drugs and medicines for companion and farm animals.

Status: REFERRED TO WAYS AND MEANS – 01/07/2021

NY [R] AB 1229 - Updated (New 01/08/2021) **Hoarding**

Title: [Relates to companion animal hoarding](#)

Sponsor: Asm. Kevin Cahill (D-NY)

Abstract: Creates the crime of companion animal hoarding.

Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE – 01/07/2021

NY [R] AB 1353 - Updated (New 01/09/2021)

Title: [Relates to establishing the crimes of cruelty to animals to threaten, intimidate or harass in the second degree and first degree](#)

Sponsor: Asm. Linda Rosenthal (D-NY)

Abstract: Establishes the crimes of cruelty to animals to threaten, intimidate or harass in the second degree and cruelty to animals to threaten, intimidate or harass in the first degree when in the presence of a minor child.

Status: REFERRED TO CODES – 01/08/2021

NY [R] AB 1410 - Updated (New 01/12/2021) **Tethering**

Title: [Relates to outdoor restraints of companion animals](#)

Sponsor: Asm. Linda Rosenthal (D-NY)

Abstract: Relates to outdoor restraints of companion animals; prohibits tethering for more than 3 hours or a time approved by in writing by animal control but not to exceed 12 hours in any 24 hour period; prohibits tethering when a weather advisory or warning is in effect; tethered dogs must be free of cruel conditions or inhumane tethering; misdemeanor.

Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE - 01/11/2021

NY [R] AB 1531 - Updated (New 01/12/2021)

Title: [Relates to sentencing for the crime of aggravated cruelty to animals](#)

Sponsor: Asm. Angelo Santabarbara (D-NY)

Abstract: Relates to sentencing for the crime of aggravated cruelty to animals; removes the two year imprisonment cap.

Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE – 01/11/2021

NY [R] AB 1549 - Updated (New 01/12/2021) **Abuser Registry**

Title: [Relates to the creation of crime database of all convictions of animal cruelty](#)

Sponsor: Asm. Linda Rosenthal (D-NY)

Abstract: Relates to the creation of a crime database of all convictions in New York state of animal cruelty, fighting, neglect, abandonment and mistreatment; makes such crime database available to all law enforcement entities, district attorneys, duly incorporated humane societies, societies for the prevention of cruelty to animals, dog or cat protective associations and animal control officers.

Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE – 01/11/2021

NY [R] AB 1553 - Updated (New 01/12/2021)

Title: [Relates to the sale of birds by pet dealers when such birds have not yet been fully weaned](#)

Sponsor: Asm. Linda Rosenthal (D-NY)

Abstract: Relates to the sale of birds by pet dealers when such birds have not yet been fully weaned.

Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE – 01/11/2021

NY [R] AB 1556 - Updated (New 01/12/2021) **Night Tethering**

Title: [Prohibits tethering, restraining, caging or penning of dogs outside between the hours of 7 p.m. to 6 a.m.](#)

Sponsor: Asm. Linda Rosenthal (D-NY)

Abstract: Prohibits tethering, restraining, caging or penning of dogs or animals outdoors between the hours of 7 p.m. to 6 a.m.; may be tethered outdoors between the hours of 6 a.m. and 7 p.m. to a stationary object or a pen or cage in a sized pen or cage four times the height and length of said dog or animal.

Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE – 01/11/2021

NY [R] AB 1558 - Updated (New 01/12/2021)

Title: [Increases certain penalties for violating the prohibition of animal fighting and for aggravated cruelty to animals](#)

Sponsor: Asm. Linda Rosenthal (D-NY)

Abstract: Increases certain penalties for violating the prohibition of animal fighting and for aggravated cruelty to animals and requires a psychiatric evaluation for defendants convicted of aggravated cruelty to animals.

Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE – 01/11/2021

NY [R] AB 1633 - Updated (New 01/12/2021)

Title: [Expands the definition of aggravated cruelty to animals to include harm to a companion animal during the commission of a felony](#)

Sponsor: Asm. Angelo Santabarbara (D-NY)

Abstract: Enacts "Kirby and Quigley's Law"; expands the definition of aggravated cruelty to animals to include harm to a companion animal during the commission of a felony.

Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE – 01/11/2021

NY [R] AB 1728 - Updated (New 01/12/2021)

Title: [Limits animal dealers exempt under the provision of article 7 of such law relating to the licensing, identification and control of dogs](#)

Sponsor: Asm. Linda Rosenthal (D-NY)

Abstract: 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.

Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE – 01/11/2021

NY [R] AB 1769 - Updated (New 01/12/2021) **Acquiring Rescue Inventory**

Title: [Relates to the inspection of certain vacated property for abandoned animals](#)

Sponsor: Asm. Donna Lupardo (D-NY)

Abstract: Relates to the inspection of property that has been vacated for abandoned animals; requires property owners and lessors to inspect such property within three days and to immediately notify the appropriate authorities when such person finds an animal which appears to be abandoned.

Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE – 01/11/2021

NY [R] AB 1783 - Updated (New 01/12/2021)

Title: [Enacts the ""monk parakeet protection act""](#)

Sponsor: Asm. Linda Rosenthal (D-NY)

Abstract: Enacts the ""monk parakeet protection act"" in order to protect the small population of monk parakeets that are living in the wild in the state of New York. **Note: This population lives in Brooklyn and the Bronx.**

Status: REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION – 01/11/2021

NY [R] AB 1816 - Updated (New 01/12/2021)

Title: [Criminalizes knowingly causing a minor to attend a place where exhibition of animal fighting is being conducted](#)

Sponsor: Asm. Linda Rosenthal (D-NY)

Abstract: Criminalizes knowingly causing a minor to attend a place where exhibition of animal fighting is being conducted, such is considered a misdemeanor.

Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE – 01/11/2021

NY [R] AB 1903 - Updated (New 01/12/2021) **Pet Shop Regulations**

Title: [Requires the installation and testing of fire protection systems at pet stores](#)

Sponsor: Asm. Linda Rosenthal (D-NY)

Abstract: Requires the installation and testing of fire protection systems at pet stores.

Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE – 01/11/2021

NY AB 2024- Updated (New 1/14/2021) **Retail Pet Shop Ban**

Title: [Limits licensing to only pet dealers which sell animals obtained from shelters and rescue_organizations.](#)

Sponsor: Asm. Brian Barnwell [D]

Status: 2021-01-14 - referred to agriculture

NY AB 2012- Updated (New 1/14/2021) **Debark ban**

Title: Restricts the performance of surgical devocalization procedures on dogs and cats.

Sponsor: [Asm. Kenneth Zebrowski](#)[D]

Status: 2021-01-14 - referred to agriculture

NY AB 2122 Updated (New 1/14/2021) **Farm animal Confinement/ Anti Farm**

Title: Pertains to confinement of certain animals for food producing purposes; prohibits any person to tether or confine any pig during pregnancy or calf raised for veal for all or the majority of any day in a manner that prevents such animal from lying do

Sponsor: Asm. Linda Rosenthal [D]

Status: 2021-01-14 - referred to agriculture

NY AB 2124- Updated (New 1/14/2021) Rodeo Ban

Title: Prohibits certain acts in rodeos; imposes penalties for the violation of such acts.

Sponsor: Asm. Linda Rosenthal [D]

Abstract: Prohibits certain acts in rodeos; imposes penalties for the violation of such acts.

Status: Action: 2021-01-14 - referred to agriculture

NY AB 2139 Updated (New 1/14/2021) Anti-Farming

Title: Relates to the disposition of abused farm animals; provides that convicted individuals and those in their households or those who aided or abetted in the unlawful acts or should have known or knew of such acts may not be entitled to any monies generated

Sponsor: Asm. Linda Rosenthal [D]

Status: Action: 2021-01-14 - referred to agriculture

NY AB 2152 Updated (New 1/14/2021)

Title: Relates to aggravated cruelty to animals.

Sponsor: Asm. Linda Rosenthal [D]

Abstract: Relates to aggravated cruelty to animals.

Status: Pending: Assembly Agriculture Committee

(Same As [S00960](#)) 2021-01-06 - REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE

NY AB 2313 Updated (New 1/14/2021) Anti-Farming

Title: Provides for the humane treatment and removal of downed animals.

Sponsor: Asm. Linda Rosenthal [D]

Abstract: Provides for the humane treatment and removal of downed animals.

Status: Action: 2021-01-14 - referred to agriculture

NY AB 2347 Updated (New 1/14/2021) Redefining Cruelty

Title: Makes the failure to provide food, water or appropriate shelter to a companion animal (dogs and cats) left outside a felony punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000, or imprisonment for not more than 2 years, or by both such fine and imprisonment

Sponsor: Asm. Linda Rosenthal [D]

Status: 2021-01-14 - referred to agriculture

NY [R] SB 90 - Updated (New 01/04/2021)

Title: Relates to promoting animal fighting; and repeals certain provisions of such law relating thereto

Sponsor: Sen. Todd Kaminsky (D-NY)

Abstract: Relates to promoting animal fighting and appropriately punishing individuals associated with such activities.

Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE – 01/06/2021

NY [R] SB 195 - Updated (New 01/04/2021) **Tax Credit**

Title: [Relates to providing a tax credit for spay or neuter services](#)

Sponsor: Sen. James Tedisco (R-NY)

Abstract: Provides a tax credit for spay or neuter services.

Status: REFERRED TO BUDGET AND REVENUE – 01/06/2021

NY [R] SB 197 - Updated (New 01/04/2021) **Redefining Cruelty**

Title: [Expands the definition of aggravated cruelty to animals to include harm to a companion animal during the commission of a felony](#)

Sponsor: Sen. James Tedisco (R-NY)

Abstract: Enacts "Kirby and Quigley's Law"; expands the definition of aggravated cruelty to animals to include harm to a companion animal during the commission of a felony.

Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE – 01/06/2021

NY [R] SB 227 - Updated (New 01/04/2021) **Redefining Cruelty**

Title: [Makes the failure to provide food, water or appropriate shelter to a companion animal left outside a felony](#)

Sponsor: Sen. James Tedisco (R-NY)

Abstract: Makes the failure to provide food, water or appropriate shelter to a companion animal (dogs and cats) left outside a felony punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000, or imprisonment for not more than 2 years, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE – 01/06/2021

NY [R] SB 229 - Updated (New 01/04/2021)

Title: [Increases certain penalties for violating the prohibition of animal fighting and for aggravated cruelty to animals](#)

Sponsor: Sen. James Tedisco (R-NY)

Abstract: Increases certain penalties for violating the prohibition of animal fighting and for aggravated cruelty to animals and requires a psychiatric evaluation for defendants convicted of aggravated cruelty to animals.

Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE – 01/06/2021

NY [R] SB 230 - Updated (New 01/04/2021)

Title: [Imposes additional penalties upon persons convicted of animal abuse](#)

Sponsor: Sen. James Tedisco (R-NY)

Abstract: Requires unsealing of court records of youthful offenders convicted of animal abuse offense; provides that such persons undergo a psychiatric evaluation and treatment where necessary.

Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE – 01/06/2021

***NY [R] SB 234**-Updated (New 01/04/2021) **DANGEROUS DOG OWNER ALERT SYSTEM**

Title: [Relates to implementing a dangerous dog owner alert system](#)

Sponsor: Sen. James Tedisco (R-NY)

Abstract: Relates to implementing a dangerous dog owner alert system.

Status: REFERRED TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT – 01/06/2021

NY [R] SB 461 - Updated (New 01/04/2021) **Cropping/Docking**

Title: [Prohibits ear clipping and tail docking of dogs and cats unless deemed medically necessary to protect the life or health of the dog or cat](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Alessandra Biaggi (D-NY)

Abstract: Prohibits ear clipping and tail docking of dogs and cats unless deemed medically necessary to protect the life or health of the dog or cat.

Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE – 01/06/2021

NY [R] SB 522 - Updated (New 01/05/2021)

Title: [Provides an exemption for drugs and medicines for companion and farm animals](#)

Sponsor: Sen. James Tedisco (R-NY)

Abstract: Relates to providing an exemption for drugs and medicines for companion and farm animals.

Status: REFERRED TO BUDGET AND REVENUE - 01/06/2021

NY [R] SB 939 - Updated (Ancillary 01/07/2021)

Title: [Prohibits any person from transporting or selling a nonambulatory animal unless such animal is humanely euthanized](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Liz Krueger (D-NY)

Abstract: Prohibits any person from transporting, holding, buying, selling, giving, receiving or marketing a nonambulatory animal unless such animal is first humanely euthanized without undue delay from the time that such animal becomes nonambulatory; makes certain exceptions; provides violation provisions; defines relevant terms.

Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE – 01/06/2021

NY [R] SB 960 - Updated (New 01/06/2021)

Title: [Relates to aggravated cruelty to animals](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Liz Krueger (D-NY)

Abstract: Relates to aggravated cruelty to animals.

Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE – 01/06/2021

NY [R] SB 1101 - Updated (Ancillary 01/08/2021)

Title: [Requires animal shelters and animal rescue groups to disclose whether a dog has bitten a person and broken the person's skin](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Todd Kaminsky (D-NY)

Abstract: Requires animal shelters and animal rescue groups to disclose whether a dog over the age of four months has bitten a person and broken the person's skin; states that a documented bite history shall not necessarily preclude a dog from being available for adoption.

Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE – 01/06/2021

NY [R] SB 1125 - Updated (New 01/08/2021) **Debarking**

Title: [Restricts the performance of surgical devocalization procedures on dogs and cats](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Michael Gianaris (D-NY)

Abstract: Restricts the performance of surgical devocalization procedures on dogs and cats.

Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE – 01/07/2021

NY [R] SB 1130 - Updated (New 01/08/2021) **Retail Petshop Ban**

Title: [Prohibits the sale of dogs, cats and rabbits by retail pet shops; authorizes space for adoption](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Michael Gianaris (D-NY)

Abstract: Prohibits the sale of dogs, cats and rabbits by retail pet shops; authorizes collaboration with entities to provide space to showcase cats or dogs owned by certain entities for the purpose of adoption.

Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE – 01/07/2021

NY [R] SB 1148 - Updated (New 01/08/2021)

Title: [Relates to requiring the commissioner of agriculture and markets to establish licensing and educational standards for individuals providing canine service and non-police dogs training for non-](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Todd Kaminsky (D-NY)

Abstract: Relates to requiring the commissioner to establish licensing and educational standards for individuals providing canine training for non-service and non-police dogs.

Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE – 01/07/2021

NY [R] SB 1257 - Updated (Ancillary 01/12/2021) **4A Violation**

Title: [Prohibits a person convicted of violating ""Buster's Law"" from owning or possessing a companion animal](#)

Sponsor: Sen. James Tedisco (R-NY)

Abstract: Prohibits a person convicted of ""Buster's Law"" from owning or possessing a companion animal unless authorized by court order, after appropriate psychiatric or psychological testing.

Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE – 01/08/2021

NY [R] SB 1259 - Updated (Ancillary 01/12/2021) **4A Violation**

Title: [Limits ownership or possession of companion animals by ""Buster's Law"" violators](#)

Sponsor: Sen. James Tedisco (R-NY)

Abstract: Limits ownership or possession of companion animals by ""Buster's Law"" violators and adds definition of equine companion while taking horses out of farm animal definition.

Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE – 01/08/2021

NY [R] SB 1360 - Updated (New 01/12/2021) **discriminatory upcharge**
Title: [Establishes a twelve percent surcharge on the sale of animals by pet dealers](#)
Sponsor: Sen. Jose Serrano (D-NY)
Abstract: Establishes a twelve percent surcharge on the sale of animals by pet dealers and an animal shelter and wildlife rehabilitator account to be administered by an animal protection organization to be chosen by the comptroller and the commissioner of agriculture and markets.
Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE - 01/11/2021

NY [R] SB 1528 - Updated (New 01/13/2021) **Abuser Registry**
Title: [Requires each violator of ""Buster's Law"" to register his or her name and address with the division of criminal justice services](#)
Sponsor: Sen. James Tedisco (R-NY)
Abstract: Requires each violator of ""Buster's Law"" to register his or her name and address with the division of criminal justice services.
Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE - 01/12/2021

NY [R] SB 1537 - Updated (New 01/13/2021) **Slaughter Ban**
Title: [Prohibits the slaughter of horses for human consumption](#)
Sponsor: Sen. James Tedisco (R-NY)
Abstract: Prohibits any person from slaughtering a horse where such person knows or has reason to know that such horse will be used for human consumption; prohibits any person from selling, bartering, giving away, purchasing, possessing, transporting, delivering or receiving horseflesh where such person knows or should know that such horseflesh is intended for human consumption; provides penalties for violation.
Status: REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE - 01/12/2021

NY SO 2273 Updated (Introduced 1/20/2021) **Pet Shop Regulations**
Title: [Requires pet dealers and pet shops to provide certain breeder and health information to purchasers of animals.](#)
Sponsor: Sen. James Tedisco[R]
Status: 2021-01-20 - REFERRED TO AGRICULTURE

PROTECTING AND DEFENDING ANIMAL ENTERPRISE

OK HB 1383 Updated (Introduced 2/1/2021) **Prefiled**
Title: [Animals; creating the Animals Reform Act; effective date.](#)
Sponsor: Rep. Charles McCall [R]
Status: Introduced on February 1 2021 NOTE: Filed MULTIPLE times as: HB 1381, Hb 1382, HB 1383, HB 1384, HB 1385, HB 1577, HB 1678, HB 1999, HB 2633

OK HB 1580 Updated (Introduced 2/1/2021) **Tethering**
Title: [Animals; prohibiting persons from chaining or tethering a dog under certain circumstances; effective date.](#)
Sponsor: Rep. Mickey Dollens [D]
Status: 2021-02-02 - Second Reading referred to Judiciary - Criminal

OK HB 1581 Updated (Introduced 2/01/2021) HEARING SCHEDULED **Retail Pet Shop Ban**

Title: [Animals; prohibiting the sale or display of cats or dogs in a pet store under certain circumstances; effective date.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Mickey Dollens [D]

Status: 2021-02-02 - Second Reading referred to Business and Commerce

House Business and Commerce Committee

Hearing: Feb 17 @ 9:00 am

*****OK HB 1620 Updated (New 2/1/2021) Hearing Scheduled WAPA**

Title: [Animals; guaranteeing the right to utilize working animals; effective date.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Gary Mize [R]

Abstract: Animals; guaranteeing the right to utilize working animals; effective date. Status:

Introduced on February 1 2021

House Wildlife Committee

Hearing: Feb 11 @ 1:00 pm in ROOM 206

OK HB 2688 Updated (Introduced 2/1/2021) **Prefiled**

Title: [Animals; repealing annual report requirements related to the Commercial Pet Breeders and Animal Shelter Licensing Act; effective date.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Toni Hasenbeck [R]

Status: Introduced on February 1 2021

OR HB 2258 Updated (Introduced 1/19/2021)

Title: [Relating to foods.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Mark Owens [R]

Abstract: Allows farm or ranch owner or operator to sell ownership interest in all or part of livestock to final consumer. Allows farm or ranch owner or operator to sell ownership interest in all or part of livestock to final consumer. Makes slaughtering facility regulations inapplicable to farm or ranch owner or operator slaughtering livestock if meat is for noncommercial use of holder of ownership interest in livestock. Allows retail food establishment to sell producer-processed agricultural products. Allows restaurants and other facilities selling ready-to-eat food to sell food containing producer-processed products not requiring time or temperature control to prevent safety hazards. Sets maximum annual production and sales for farm-direct marketer. Changes sales limit for bottler, packager or canner of certain fruit-based items sold by farm-direct marketer. Authorizes farm-direct sales of producer-processed products. Authorizes agricultural producer consignment sales of producer-processed products not requiring time or temperature control to prevent safety hazards.

Status: 2021-01-19 - Referred to Agriculture and Natural Resources with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

OR [R] HB 2611 - Updated (New 01/11/2021) **Farm**

Title: [Relating to the application of state structural specialty codes to agricultural buildings.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Vikki Breese-Iverson (R-OR)

Abstract: Prevents application of state structural specialty code to agricultural building used primarily for specified activities.

Status: First reading. Referred to Speaker's desk. - 01/11/2021

OR [R] HB 2676 - Updated (New 01/11/2021) **Fur Ban**

Title: [Relating to the trade of fur products.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Rob Nosse (D-OR)

Abstract: Prohibits sale, offer for sale, display for sale, trade or other distribution for consideration of fur product in State of Oregon. Establishes that "fur product" does not include animal skin to be converted into leather, cowhide, deerskin, lambskin or sheepskin or animal pelt or skin preserved through taxidermy or for purpose of taxidermy. Provides exemptions from prohibition. Provides that violation committed intentionally, knowingly, recklessly or with criminal negligence is punishable by maximum of 364 days' imprisonment, \$6,250 fine, or both.

Status: First reading. Referred to Speaker's desk. - 01/11/2021

OR [R] HB 2776 - Updated (New 01/11/2021)

Title: [Relating to aquaculture.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Greg Smith (R-OR)

Abstract: Transfers regulatory authority over propagation of finfish in private commercial aquaculture facilities from State Department of Fish and Wildlife and State Fish and Wildlife Commission to State Department of Agriculture. Prohibits releasing finfish produced by private commercial aquaculture facility into waters of state unless finfish health is certified by State Department of Agriculture. Requires Oregon Business Development Department to establish and administer grant program for economic development projects involving operation of private commercial aquaculture facilities or utilization of finfish propagated in private commercial aquaculture facility.

Status: First reading. Referred to Speaker's desk. - 01/11/2021

OR [R] HB 2924 - Updated (New 01/11/2021) **Anti-Farm**

Title: [Relating to industrial dairies.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Rob Nosse (D-OR)

Abstract: Prohibits Department of Environmental Quality and State Department of Agriculture from issuing or renewing license or permit to allow construction or operation of new industrial dairy, addition to or expansion of existing industrial dairy or addition to or expansion of dairy that would cause dairy to become industrial dairy.

Status: First reading. Referred to Speaker's desk. - 01/11/2021

OR HB 3008 Updated (Introduced 1/21/2021) **Traveling Animal Exhibition Ban**

Title: [Relating to traveling animal acts.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Robert Nosse [D]

Abstract: Prohibits person from using specified types of animals in traveling animal act. Prohibits person from using specified types of animals in traveling animal act. Provides certain exemptions from prohibition. Punishes by maximum of six months' imprisonment, \$2,500 fine, or both. Authorizes court to require person convicted of violation to forfeit animal used in violation.

Status: Introduced on January 21 2021 First Reading

OR [R] SB 103 - Updated (Status 01/28/2021) **HEARING SCHEDULED** **Weird.**

Title: [Relating to animal emergency operations planning.](#)

Sponsor: Kate Brown

Abstract: Transfers duty to prepare written animal emergency operations plan from Office of Emergency Management to State Department of Agriculture. Requires department to cooperate with Department of Human Services in developing plan.

Status: **2021-02-01 - Public Hearing Scheduled.**

**Pending: [Senate Natural Resources and Wildfire Recovery Committee](#)
Hearing: Feb 1 @ 3:15 pm in Remote D**

OR [R] SB 559 - Updated (Status 01/13/2021)

Title: [Relating to use of livestock on lands zoned for exclusive farm use; declaring an emergency.](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Sara Gelsler (D-OR)

Abstract: Allows counties to approve livestock and livestock-affiliated exercise, therapy and counseling on lands zoned for exclusive farm use. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

Status: Introduction and first reading. Referred to President's desk. - 01/11/2021

OR [R] SB 583 - Updated (Status 01/13/2021) **Anti-Farming**

Title: [Relating to industrial dairies; declaring an emergency.](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Michael Dembrow (D-OR)

Abstract: Prohibits Department of Environmental Quality and State Department of Agriculture from issuing or renewing license or permit to allow construction or operation of new industrial dairy, addition to or expansion of existing industrial dairy or addition to or expansion of dairy that would cause dairy to become industrial dairy. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

Status: Introduction and first reading. Referred to President's desk. - 01/11/2021

PA [R] HB 132 - Updated (Text, Status 01/13/2021)

Title: [Act amending the act of December 7, 1982 \(P.L.784, No.225\), known as the Dog Law, further providing for definitions.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Greg Rothman (R-PA)

Status: PN 0098 Referred to AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS - 01/12/2021

***RI H 5040** -Updated (Introduced 1/21/2021) Hearing Scheduled **Abuse Registry**

Title: [Animal Abuser Registry Act](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Arthur Corvese [D]

Abstract: Creates the "animal abuser registry act" which would require all persons convicted of felonies involving animal abuse, to register with an online registry to be established and maintained by the department of public safety.

Status: 2021-02-05 - Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (02/09/2021)

RI H5058 – Updated (Introduced 1/21/2021) **Anti-Hunting**

Title: [Relating To Fish And Wildlife](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Joseph McNamara [D]

Abstract: Prohibits the practice of importing a wild animal into the state, which animal is not native or domestic to the state, for the purpose of conducting canned hunting.

Status: 2021-01-22 - Introduced, referred to House Environment and Natural Resources

***RI H5329 -Updated (Introduced 2/3/2021) HEARING SCHEDULED**

Title: [Relating To Fish And Wildlife -- Field Trials And Shooting Preserves](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Scott Slater [D]

Abstract: Defines captive hunting as a hunt that occurs within a structure designed to restrict the free movement of animals and prevents the animal from escaping and would prohibit captive hunting within the state of Rhode Island.

Status: 2021-02-05 - Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (02/11/2021)

Pending: House Environment and Natural Resources Committee

Hearing: Feb 11 House Environment and Natural Resources Hearing

SC H3539 Updated (HEARING 2/9/2021)

Title: [Pigs](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Sylleste Davis [R]

Abstract: Amend The Code Of Laws Of South Carolina, 1976, By Adding Section 47-9-55 So As To Prohibit The Transportation Of Live Swine On A Public Road Or Waterway Without An Official Form Of Identification, And To Provide An Exception And Penalties; To Amend Section 50-16-25, Relating To The Unlawful Release Of Pigs, So As To Provide That It Is Unlawful To Transport A Live Member Of The Family Suidae Taken From The Wild; And To Repeal Section 50-9-655 Relating To Pig Transport And Release Permits.

Status: - Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs

Pending: [House Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs Committee](#)

Hearing: Feb 9 in Blatt Room 410

SC [R] H 3066 - Updated (Status 01/12/2021)

Title: [Fargo's and Hyco's Law](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Neal Collins (R-SC)

Abstract: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, SO AS TO ENACT ""FARGO'S AND HYCO'S LAW"", TO AMEND ARTICLE 11, CHAPTER 3, TITLE 47, RELATING TO THE TEASING, MALTREATING, AND INJURING OF POLICE DOGS, SO AS TO INCREASE THE PENALTIES ASSOCIATED WITH WILFULLY OR MALICIOUSLY TORTURING, MUTILATING, INJURING, DISABLING, POISONING, OR KILLING A POLICE DOG OR HORSE, AND TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CHANGE.

Status: Referred to Committee on Judiciary - 01/12/2021

SC [R] H 3067 - Updated (Text 12/14/2020) 4A Violation

Title: [Animal ownership forfeited due to cruelty](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Jonathon Hill (R-SC)

Abstract: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 47-1-170, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO FORFEITING OWNERSHIP OF AN ANIMAL TREATED CRUELLY, SO AS TO PROHIBIT A PERSON CONVICTED OF A REPEAT OFFENSE OF ANIMAL CRUELTY

FROM OWNING AN ANIMAL FOR A PERIOD NOT TO EXCEED FIVE YEARS.
Status: Referred to Committee on Judiciary – 12/09/2020

SC H 3727 – Updated (Introduced 1/27/2021)

Title: [Animals, ordinances for care and control](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Kirkman Finlay [R]

Abstract: Amend Section 47-3-20, Code Of Laws Of South Carolina, 1976, Relating To The Authorization Of Counties And Municipalities To Enact Ordinances For The Care And Control Of Animals, So As To Authorize A County Or Municipality To Allow Animal Control Officers To Carry Firearms.

Status: 2021-01-27 - Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs

SC S 46 – Updated (Introduced 1/14/2021) 8A Violation

Title: [Custody and care of animal after arrest and custodial costs](#)

Sponsor: [Sen. Danny Verdin](#) [R]

Abstract: Amend Section 47-1-145(c) Of The 1976 Code, Relating To The Custody And Care Of An Animal After Arrest And Custodial Costs, To Provide For Circumstances In Which A Defendant Is Found Guilty And Is Able To Reclaim The Animal.

Status: 2021-01-12 - Referred to Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources

SC [R] S 186 - Updated (Hearing 1/27/2021)

Title: [Animals, ill-treatment or abandonment](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Greg Hembree (R-SC)

Abstract: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 47-1-40, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE ILL-TREATMENT OF ANIMALS, SO AS TO REMOVE THE EXCEPTION FOR THE TRAINING OF HUNTING DOGS AND TO ALLOW FOR THE USE OF RECOGNIZED AND RESPONSIBLE TRAINING TECHNIQUES; AND TO AMEND SECTION 47-1-70, RELATING TO THE ABANDONMENT OF ANIMALS, SO AS TO REMOVE THE EXCEPTION FOR HUNTING DOGS.

Status: [Senate Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee](#)

SC[R] S 371 - Updated (Text 12/12/2020) Prefiled

Title: [Mallards](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Scott Talley (R-SC)

Abstract: A BILL TO AMEND CHAPTER 11, TITLE 50 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO THE PROTECTION OF GAME, BY ADDING ARTICLE 14, TO PROVIDE FOR THE PERMITTING OF REGULATED SHOOTING AREAS FOR MALLARDS, TO PROVIDE THAT CAPTIVE-RAISED MALLARDS THAT ARE REARED AND RELEASED ON A REGULATED SHOOTING AREA FOR MALLARDS MAY ONLY BE HUNTED DURING THE OPEN SEASON FOR MALLARDS, TO PROVIDE MARKING REQUIREMENTS FOR CAPTIVE-RAISED MALLARDS, TO PROVIDE THAT CAPTIVE-RAISED MALLARDS MAY BE TAKEN BY SHOOTING ON A REGULATED SHOOTING AREA FOR MALLARDS WITHOUT REGARD FOR BAG OR

POSSESSION LIMITS AND TO PROVIDE EXCEPTIONS, TO REQUIRE CERTAIN LICENSES FOR HUNTING ON A REGULATED SHOOTING AREA FOR MALLARDS, TO PROVIDE THAT A PERMITTEE SHALL MAKE AN ANNUAL REPORT OF OPERATIONS, AND TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF PERMITTING ...

Status: Referred to Committee on Fish, Game and Forestry – 12/09/2020

SC [R] S 378 - Updated (HEARING 1/27/2021) **HEARING**

Title: [Police dogs and horses](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Richard Cash (R-SC)

Abstract: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 47-3-630 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO PENALTIES FOR TEASING, MALTREATING, AND INJURING POLICE DOGS AND HORSES, TO PROVIDE FOR PENALTIES, RESTITUTION, AND COMMUNITY SERVICE.

Status: Senate Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee

SD [R] SB 52 Updated (1/21/2021) **CAFO**

Title: [Revise the permit duration on certain concentrated animal feeding operations.](#)

Sponsor: None available at this time.

Status: 2021-01-21 Agriculture and Natural Resources Do Pass, Passed, YEAS 5, NAYS 2. S.J. 1

TN HB 97 Updated (New 1/12/2021)

Title: [AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 11, Part 6, relative to justifications excluding criminal responsibility.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Jay Reedy [R]

Abstract: As introduced, justifies, under certain circumstances, the use of deadly force against another to prevent or terminate the other from committing or attempting to commit certain property offenses; clarifies that the display or brandishing of a weapon does not constitute deadly force. - Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 11, Part 6.

Status: 2021-01-12 - Intro., P1C. **Includes allowing deadly force used to prevent aggravated cruelty to animals and livestock animals.**

TN HB 213 Updated (New 1/15/2021) **Vet Regs**

Title: [AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 12 and Title 68, Chapter 8, relative to animal health.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Curtis Halford [R]

Abstract: As introduced, authorizes members of the board of veterinary medical examiners to be reappointed for successive terms; clarifies the definition of "veterinary facility". - Amends TCA Title 63, Chapter 12 and Title 68, Chapter 8.

Status:2021-01-15 - Filed for introduction

TN HB 361 (Introduced 1/08/21) **Hearing in Criminal Justice Subcommittee on 2/24/21**

Title: An Act to Amend TCA Title 39, Chapter 14 and Title 44.

Sponsor: Rep. Lowell Russell [R]

Abstract: House Bill 361 seeks to authorize any officer of a governmental animal control agency to enter any property or dwelling that the officer reasonably believes is abandoned to rescue any non-livestock animal contained therein. This would expand powers to enter certain private property and confiscate companion animals without first obtaining a warrant.

TN HB 803 Updated (Introduced 2/09/2021) **See Also SB1109**

Title: [AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 14, Part 2 and Title 40, Chapter 39, Part 1, relative to animal abuse.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Bruce Griffey [R]

Abstract: As introduced, establishes enhanced penalties for acts of animal cruelty when committed against 10 or more non-livestock animals at the same time and place. - Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 14, Part 2 and Title 40, Chapter 39, Part 1.

Status: 2021-02-20 - Assigned to s/c Criminal Justice Subcommittee

TN SB 166 Updated (New 1/14/2021) **PACT Act**

Title: [AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 14, Part 2, relative to cruelty to animals.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Jon Lundberg [R]

Abstract: As introduced, states that a person commits aggravated cruelty to animals if the person, with no justifiable purpose, intentionally or knowingly kills, maims, tortures, crushes, burns, drowns, suffocates, mutilates, starves, or otherwise causes serious injury to a companion animal. - Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 14, Part 2.

Status: 2021-01-15 - Introduced, Passed on First Consideration

TN SB 168 Updated (New 1/15/2021)

Title: [AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 14, Part 2, relative to cock fighting.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Jon Lundberg [R]

Abstract: As introduced, raises from a Class A misdemeanor to a Class E felony certain animal cruelty offense involving a cock; requires a fine of not less than \$1,000 nor more than \$2,500 for the offense of being a spectator at a cock fight. - Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 14, Part 2.

Status: 2021-01-15 - Introduced, Passed on First Consideration

TN SB 285 Updated (Introduced 1/21/2021)

Title: [AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39 and Title 43, relative to agricultural property.](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Paul Rose [R]

Status: 2021-01-21 - Filed for introduction

TX HB 91 Updated (Introduced 11/09/2020)

Title: [Relating to conditions of community supervision for defendants convicted of certain criminal offenses involving animals.](#)

Sponsor: Lucio III

Status: Filed – 11/09/20

TX [R] HB 121 - Updated (New 11/09/2020)

Title: [Relating to the adoption of cats and dogs previously used for research.](#)

Sponsor: Minjarez

Status: Filed – 11/09/2020

TX [R] HB 337 - Updated (New 11/09/2020)

Title: [Relating to the intake and disposition records of animal shelters and releasing agencies.](#)

Sponsor: ASM. Rosenthal [D]

Status: Filed – 11/09/2020

TX [R] HB 386 - Updated (New 11/09/2020) **Tethering?**

Title: [Relating to the unlawful restraint of a dog; creating a criminal offense.](#)

Sponsor: Pacheco

Status: Filed – 11/09/2020

TX [R] HB 543 - Updated (New 11/13/2020) **WAPA?**

Title: [Relating to the regulation of working animals by a political subdivision.](#)

Sponsor: White

Status: Filed – 11/12/2020

TX [R] HB 592 - Updated (New 11/18/2020)

Title: [Relating to a sales and use tax exemption for animals adopted from or sold by animal rescue groups.](#)

Sponsor: Turner, Chris

Status: Filed - 11/17/2020

TX [R] HB 604 - Updated (New 11/19/2020) **Shelter/Rescue Regs**

Title: [Relating to a microchip scan of animals in the custody of an animal shelter or releasing agency, including an animal rescue organization.](#)

Sponsor: Noble

Status: Filed – 11/18/2020

TX [R] HB 652 - Updated (New 11/25/2020) **Shelter Regs**

Title: [Relating to notice of an epizootic infectious disease occurring in an animal shelter.](#)

Sponsor: Paul

Status: Filed – 11/24/2020

TX [R] HB 674 - Updated (New 12/01/2020)

Title: [Relating to informing the public about the availability of provisions in protective orders, including provisions regarding pets and other companion animals.](#)

Sponsor: Ramos

Status: Filed – 11/30/2020

TX [R] HB 708 - Updated (New 12/03/2020) **4A Violation**

Title: [Relating to creating the criminal offense of possession of an animal by a person who has been previously convicted of an offense involving animal cruelty.](#)

Sponsor: Shaheen

Status: Filed – 12/02/2020

TX [R] HB 873 - Updated (New 12/19/2020) **Tethering?**

Title: [Relating to the unlawful restraint of a dog; creating a criminal offense.](#)

Sponsor: Collier

Status: Filed – 12/18/2020

TX [R] HB 1078 - Updated (New 01/14/2021) **Anti-Farming**

Title: [Relating to liability arising from farm animal activities.](#)

Sponsor: Landgraf

Status: Filed – 01/13/2021

TX [R] HB 1083 - Updated (New 01/14/2021) **4A Violation**

Title: [Relating to termination of the ownership interest in an animal impounded by an animal shelter.](#)

Sponsor: King, Phil

Status: Filed – 01/13/2021

TX HB 1480- Updated (Introduced) **CG Supports?**

Title: [Relating to the protection of animal and crop facilities; creating a criminal offense.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. John Cyrier [R]

Abstract: [Relating to the protection of animal and crop facilities; creating a criminal offense.](#)

Status: 2021-01-29 - Filed

TX HB 1941- Updated (Introduced 2/16/2021)

Title: [Relating to the use of certain devices to train or control the behavior of an elephant; creating a criminal offense.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Vikki Goodwin [D]

Status: Introduced on February 16 2021 - 25% progression

TX [R] SB 48 - Updated (New 11/09/2020)

Title: [Relating to conditions of community supervision for defendants convicted of certain criminal offenses involving animals.](#)

Sponsor: Zaffirini

Status: Filed - 11/09/2020

TX [R] SB 197 - Updated (New 11/17/2020)

Title: [Relating to a sales and use tax exemption for animals adopted from or sold by nonprofit animal welfare organizations.](#)

Sponsor: Nelson

Status: Filed – 11/16/2020

TX [R] SB 227 - Updated (New 12/03/2020)

Title: [Relating to a sales and use tax exemption for animals adopted from or sold by animal rescue groups.](#)

Sponsor: Paxton

Status: Filed – 12/02/2020

TX [R] SB 276 - Updated (New 01/05/2021) **Shelter Regs**

Title: [Relating to notice of an infectious disease occurring in an animal shelter and the quarantine of certain infectious animals at the shelter.](#)

Sponsor: Hinojosa

Status: Filed – 01/04/2021

TX [R] SB 323 - Updated (New 01/13/2021) **Breeder Regulations**

Title: [Relating to the licensing and regulation of dog and cat breeders; expanding the applicability of an occupational license; requiring a review of fee amounts.](#)

Sponsor: West

Status: Filed - 01/12/2021

UT [R] SB 104 - Updated (New 01/14/2021) **Hearing**

Title: [Tax Levy for Animal Control](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Todd Weiler [R]

Status: [\[Hearing: Feb 17 @ 8:00 am\]](#)



PROTECTING AND DEFENDING ANIMAL ENTERPRISE

UT [R] HB 166 - Updated (New 01/14/2021)

Title: Livestock Amendments

Sponsor: Rep. Casey Snider (R-UT)

Abstract: This bill addresses the treatment and theft of livestock, including livestock guardian dogs, and livestock infrastructure.

Status: 2021-01-20 [Hearing: Jan 22 @ 2:00 pm]To House Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environment Committee

UT HB 213 Updated (Introduced 1/21/2021)

Title: [Canine Injury Amendments](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Steve Christiansen [R]

Status: 2021-01-26 - House/ to standing committee in House Political Subdivisions Committee

UT SB 130 Updated (Introduced 1/26/2021) **HEARING SCHEDULED** **CAFO**

Title: [Regulation of Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Scott Sandall [R]

Status: **[Hearing: Feb 16 @ 4:00 pm]**

UT [R] SB 38 - Updated (New 12/22/2020)

Title: [K-9 Policy Requirements](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Daniel Thatcher (R-UT)

Abstract: This bill amends the liability provisions for dog bites relating to law enforcement activities and requires the annual certification of law enforcement canines and handlers.

Status: LFA/ fiscal note publicly available - 12/21/2020

VA [R] HB 1480 - Updated (Status 09/29/2020) **Allows cities to ban Retail Pet shops**

Title: [Pet shops; local regulation on sale of animals.](#)

Sponsor: Del. Wendy Gooditis (D-VA)

Abstract: Local regulation of pet shops. Authorizes a locality to regulate or restrict by ordinance the acquisition, marketing, and sale of animals in a pet shop. Such ordinance may distinguish between certain types of pet shops and include provisions for special licensing, inspections, reporting, or restrictions on the sale of certain types of animals. The bill also includes various existing statewide provisions related to pet shops in the list of sections for which a locality may adopt parallel or more stringent ordinances.

Status: Continued to 2021 in Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources by voice vote - 02/05/2020



VA [R] HB 1744 - Updated (New 11/30/2020)

Title: [Animal care; zoos and petting zoos, seizure of animals.](#)

Sponsor: Ronnie R. Campbell (by request)

Abstract: Animal care; zoos and petting zoos; seizure of animals. Raises from reasonable cause to probable cause the standard for a belief that animal cruelty laws are being violated for purposes of an application for a search warrant. The bill adds animals located at a zoo or petting zoo, defined in the bill, to agricultural animals as

exceptions to the standards for seizure or impoundment of companion animals. The bill also requires that before a seizure can take place at a zoo or petting zoo, a direct and immediate threat to an animal must exist that cannot be corrected in a reasonable time or that the owner is unable or unwilling to correct. The bill requires humane investigators to be residents of the Commonwealth. The bill contains technical amendments.

Status: Committee Referral Pending – 11/30/2020

VA [R] SB 1135 - Updated (Ancillary 01/05/2021)

Title: [Dangerous dogs; restructures procedure for adjudication, penalty.](#)

Sponsor: Sen. David Marsden (D-VA)

Status: Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources – 01/01/2021

VA [R] SB1412 Updated (Hearing 1/18/2021) HEARING 4A Violation

Title: [Pet shops, dealers, and dog breeders; employees convicted of animal abuse; penalty.](#)

Sponsor: Sen. William Stanley [R]

Abstract: Pet shops, dealers, and dog breeders; employees convicted of animal abuse; penalty. Requires pet shops, dealers, and commercial dog breeders to obtain a signed statement from any prospective owner, director, officer, manager, member, operator, member of staff, or animal caregiver of such pet shop, dealer, or commercial dog breeder, respectively, that such person has never been convicted of animal cruelty, neglect, or abandonment. The bill prohibits pet shops from selling or giving for adoption an animal without first obtaining such statement from the purchaser or adopter and prohibits dealers and commercial dog breeders from importing, selling, or offering for sale any dog to a pet shop without first obtaining such statement from each owner, director, officer, manager, member, operator, member of staff, and animal caregiver of the pet shop. Failure by such person to provide, or by such pet shop, dealer, or dog breeder to obtain, such statement is a Class 1 misdemeanor.

Status: 2021-01-18 - Assigned ACNR sub: Companion Animals **Jan 25 @ 10:00 am in in SR East at Museum. Register to speak at GA site:**

VA [R] HB 2109 - Updated (Text, Status 01/13/2021)

Title: [Board of Agriculture and Consumer Services; membership.](#)

Sponsor: Del. C. Matthew Fariss (R-VA)

Abstract: Board of Agriculture and Consumer Services; membership. Expands the Board of Agriculture and Consumer Services by adding as an at-large member an expert in companion animal welfare who is employed by a releasing agency in the Commonwealth. Under current law, the Board is composed of one member from each congressional district, of which there are 11, two at-large members engaged in the application or sale of pesticides, and two ex officio members.

Status: 2021-01-20 - Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (7-Y 1-N)

WA [R] HB 1117 Updated (1/21/2021) HEARING SCHEDULED

Title: [Promoting salmon recovery through revisions to the state's comprehensive planning framework.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Debra Lekanoff [D]

Status: 2021-01-21 - Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Environment & Energy at 1:30 PM

WA HB 1375 Updated (Introduced 1/26/2021) **Fur Ban**

Title: [Protecting public health by prohibiting certain activities related to fur production.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Amy Walen [D]

Status: 2021-01-26 - First reading, referred to Rural Development, Agriculture & Natural Resources. [House Rural Development, Agriculture, & Natural Resources Committee](#)

***WA HB 1424 Updated (Introduced 1/29/2021) Hearing Scheduled**

Title: [Concerning consumer protection with respect to the sale of dogs and cats.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Amy Walen [D]

Status: 2021-02-11 - Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Consumer Protection & Business at 10:00 AM

Pending: House Consumer Protection & Business Committee

Hearing: Feb 15 @ 10:00 am in House Committee on Consumer Protection & Business

WA [R] SB 5045 - Updated (Status 01/12/2021) **HEARING SCHEDULED**

Title: [Establishing a state meat and poultry inspection program.](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Judith Warnick (R-WA)

Status: Scheduled for public hearing in the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Water, Natural Resources & Parks at 1:30 PM (Subject to change). - 01/14/2021

***WI AB 53** Updated (Introduced 2/11/2021) **Hearing**

Title: [Shot shell restrictions and the hunting of fur-bearing animals.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Calvin Callahan [R] plus 16 other Republicans

Abstract: An Act to renumber 29.311; and to create 29.311 (2) of the statutes; Relating to: shot shell restrictions and the hunting of fur-bearing animals.

Status: Feb 24 @ 9:30 am

WI SB 54 Updated (Introduced 2/11/2021)

Title: [Shot shell restrictions and the hunting of fur-bearing animals.](#)

Sponsor: Rep. Calvin Callahan [R] plus 16 other Republicans

Abstract: An Act to renumber 29.311; and to create 29.311 (2) of the statutes; Relating to: shot shell restrictions and the hunting of fur-bearing animals.

Status: 2021-02-12 - Placed on calendar 2-16-2021 pursuant to Senate Rule 18(1)

WV 2561 Updated (Introduced 2/16/2021)

Title: [Relating to cruelty to animals](#)

Sponsor: Del. John Williams [D]

Status: 2021-02-16 - To House Agriculture and Natural Resources

WV SB 306 Updated (Introduced 2/17/2021)

Title: [Relating to removal of animals left unattended in motor vehicles](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Tom Takubo [R] Sen. Rupert Phillips [R] Sen. Ron Stollings [D]
Sen. Amy Nichole Grady [R] Sen. William Ihlenfeld [D]

Status: 2021-02-17 - To Judiciary

Pending: Senate Judiciary Committee

WV SB 309 Updated (Introduced 2/17/2021) **KILLED IN COMMITTEE!**

Title: [Creating felony offense of aggravated cruelty to animals](#)

Sponsor: Sen. Ryan Weld [R] Sen. Rupert Phillips [R] Del. Stephen Baldwin [D]
Sen. William Ihlenfeld [D] Sen. Amy Nichole Grady [R] Sen. Michael Woelfel [D]
Sen. Eric Nelson [R]

Abstract: The purpose of this bill is to create the felony offense of aggravated cruelty to animals. The bill creates a criminal penalty and defines a term.

Status: ~~Senate Judiciary Committee~~

~~Hearing: Feb 23 @ 3:00 pm in Senate Judiciary Committee Room, 208 West~~

***WY [R] SF 24** - Updated (New 12/30/2020) **8A Violation Hearing**

Title: [Bond for impounded animals.](#)

Sponsor: Agriculture

Status: [\[Hearing: Feb 25 @ 1:30 pm\]](#)

WY [R] SF 25 - Updated (Status 1/27/2021) **8A Violation**

Title: [Animal impound proceedings - bond and disposition.](#)

Sponsor: Agriculture

Status: Placed on General File

WY [R] SF 26 - Updated (1/28/2021 COW: Passed)

Title: [Animal abuse statutes reorganization and update.](#)

Sponsor: Agriculture

Status: Enrolled on February 4 2021 - 75% progression

Action: 2021-02-05 - Speaker Signed SEA No. 0012