

Support the Working Animal Protection Act

MO HB559

The Working Animal Protection Act would prohibit an outright ban on any legal animal enterprise utilizing working animals in ranching, service, entertainment, transportation, exhibition, and education.

Protect JOBS ◆ Protect American Heritage ◆ Protect Animal Ownership

- ✓ 55 bans of exotic animal exhibiting, elephant exhibiting, elephant guide tool, traveling educational zoos, and exotic animal transport bans have passed in recent years in local city and county councils. (see reverse side for details)
- ✓ 14 horse drawn carriage bans have passed in local city and council government with 7 cities under the threat of a ban.
- ✓ Animal rights groups have found that it is easier to promote their agenda at the municipal level.
- ✓ Eliminating access to working animals via exotic animal exhibits, traveling educational exhibits, carriage horses, and other working animals businesses takes away opportunities to provide affordable options for less fortunate and under privileged residents in both urban and rural areas to view and experience these animals up close.
- ✓ This legislation is intended to protect legal, law abiding, animal enterprise from the radical animal rights extremists' agenda.
- ✓ Local bans on working animal industries destroy animal ownership, job opportunities, and revenue that animal exhibitors, carriage companies, and others bring to the state for all citizens to enjoy.
- ✓ Local bans on working animals deny families access to opportunities to view and/or interact with animals just because it doesn't align with certain groups' ideology.
- ✓ Traveling fairs and animal exhibits teach the importance of true conservation of species as many of these animals' native habitat no longer is disappearing or has disappeared.
- ✓ Any ban on animals enables the animal rights agenda-driven policy to meet their goal to create a no animal-ownership society. This is not a contrived mission, but well documented in publications that are available from HSUS, PETA, ASPCA and other animal rights organizations, including some off shoots of which exist both in Missouri's urban and rural areas.
- ✓ Local city council and county council bans of working and performing animals have been pushed strictly by animal rights groups purely using emotional and false propaganda.



Enacted Local Bans on Exotic Animal Exhibits, Educational Zoos, Elephant Rides, Pony Rides, Petting Zoos, and Horse Drawn Carriages

ARKANSAS:

- **City of Eureka Springs (2014):** Ban on Circuses with wild or exotic animals.

CALIFORNIA:

- **CA SB 1062 (2016):** Statewide ban on elephant guide. (Frighteningly similar to the show stick used by FFA and 4-H)
- **City of Corona:** Ban on exotic animal exhibit.
- **City of Huntington Beach:** Ban on wild and exotic animals for public entertainment and exhibiting.
- **City of Irvine:** Ban on performing and exhibiting of wild and exotic animals.
- **City of Los Angeles:** Ban on elephant guide and banning of exhibition of wild and exotic animals.
- **Orange County:** Prohibits elephant rides at Orange County Fair.
- **City of Oakland:** Ban of the elephant guide.
- **City of Pasadena:** Ban on exhibiting of exotic animals.
- **City of Rolling Hills Estates:** Ban on exhibiting of exotic animals.
- **City of San Francisco:** Ban on exotic and performing animals.
- **City of West Hollywood:** Ban on exotic animal exhibits and performances.

COLORADO:

- **City of Boulder:** Ban on exotic animal exhibits.

FLORIDA:

- **City of Deerfield Beach:** Carriage Ban
- **City of Hallandale Beach:** Elephant guide ban.
- **City of Hollywood:** Ban of exotic animal exhibiting.
- **City of Kenneth City:** Carriage Ban.
- **Key West:** Carriage Ban
- **City of Lauderdale Lakes:** Ban on elephant guide.
- **City of Palm Beach:** Carriage Ban.
- **City of Panama City Beach:** Carriage Ban.
- **City of Pompano Beach:** Carriage Ban.
- **City of Treasure Island:** Carriage Ban.

GEORGIA:

- **Fulton County:** Elephant Guide Ban.

IDAHO:

- **City of Ketchum:** Ban on exotic animal exhibits.

ILLINOIS:

- **IL SB 1342:** Statewide ban on elephants in traveling exhibits.

MAINE:

- **City of Portland:** Ban on exotic animal exhibiting/performances.

MARYLAND:

- **Montgomery County:** Prohibits anyone from charging guests a fee to attend an exotic animal exhibit in a traveling act.
- **City of Tacoma Park:** Ban on exotic animal exhibits.

MASSACUSETTS:

- **City of Braintree:** Ban on exhibiting of non-domesticated animals.
- **City of Cambridge:** Ban on exhibiting of wild and exotic animals.
- **Town of Pittsfield:** Ban on exhibiting of non-domesticated animals.
- **City of Plymouth:** Ban on wild/exotic animals in exhibits.
- **City of Provincetown:** Ban on exhibiting of exotic animals.
- **City of Quincy:** Ban on exhibit of exotic animals.
- **City of Revere:** Ban on exhibit of exotic animals.
- **City of Somerville:** Ban on exhibit of exotic animals.
- **City of Weymouth:** Ban on circuses and exhibiting of exotic animals.

MICHIGAN:

- **Ferndale:** Ban on the display or performance of wild or exotic animals.
- **MI SB 48:** Statewide ban on public contact with bears.

MISSISSIPPI:

- **Biloxi:** Carriage Ban

MONTANA:

- **City of Missoula:** Ban on exhibiting of exotic animals.

NEVADA:

- **Las Vegas:** Carriage Ban
- **Reno:** Carriage Ban

NEW JERSEY:

- **S1093/A1923** Statewide ban on exhibition of all animal species not indigenous to N.J.
- **Bergen County:** Ban on exotic animal exhibits.

- **Cumberland County:** Ban on exotic animal exhibits.

NEW MEXICO:

- **City of Rio Rancho:** Ban on traveling exotic exhibitors.
- **City of Sante Fe:** Carriage Ban
- **NEW YORK:**
- **NY SB 2098 & AB 484:** Statewide BAN on elephant guide communication tool.
- **New York City:** Ban of exotic animal exhibiting.
- **City of Greenburgh:** Ban on entertainment acts or exhibiting of exotic animals.

OHIO:

- **OH SB 310:** Statewide ban on possession and keeping of “dangerous” wild animals.

OREGON:

- **Clatsop County:** Ban on Elephant Guide

PENNSYLVANIA:

- **City of Pittsburgh:** Ban on exotic animal exhibiting.

RHODE ISLAND:

- **RI HB 8197:** Statewide ban on elephant guide.

VERMONT:

- **City of Burlington:** Ban on exotic animal exhibiting.

VIRGINIA:

- **Richmond:** Ban on the elephant guide.

SOUTH CAROLINA:

- **City of Broadway Beach:** Carriage Ban.

UTAH:

- **Salt Lake City:** Carriage Ban.

WASHINGTON:

- **City of Port Townsend:** Ban on animal exhibiting.
- **City of Redmond:** Ban on exotic animal exhibiting.
- **City of Spokane:** Ban on elephant guide.
- **WISCONSIN:**
- **Dane County:** Ban on elephant exhibits.

- ★ **THREAT OF CARRIAGE BAN:**
Atlanta, Chicago, Charleston, Nashville, Philadelphia, NYC, St. Louis, Shreveport.