

Attorneys for Animals Legislative Tracker (2017-18 Session to March 21, 2018)				
MICHIGAN				
Bill Number	Brief Description	Recent Action	AFA Action	Notes
HB 4025 (HB 5670 in '15-16)	Increase penalties for animal neglect in presence of minor; Rep. Kosowski	1/12/17 Introduced; referred to Comm on Law and Justice	Voted to support	
HB 4026	DV prevention & treatment, includes animals; Rep. Kosowski	1/12/17 Introduced; referred to Comm on Law and Justice	Voted to support	
SJR G	Constitutional Right to Hunt; Sen. Hildenbrand	2/9/17 Introduced and referred to Outdoor Rec & Tourism	Voted to oppose	
HB 4332 4333 (S 29,30 in 2015-16); companion to S276, 77	Strengthen animal cruelty laws, provides graduated penalties; Rep. Brann	3/8/17 Introduced; referred to Comm on Law and Justice; 5/30 referred with recommendation without amendment, to committee of the whole; passed House on roll call vote 90-15, 11/29 Senate: 1/16/18: Judiciary Committee hearing; 1/18: reported favorably w/o amendment	Voted to support; submitted testimony and testified at House Law and Justice hearing on 5/9; submitted testimony to Senate Judiciary Comm on 1/16/18	
S 276, 77 (S 29,30 in 2015-16); companion to HB 4332, 33	Same as above; Sen. Bieda (276); Jones (277)	3/28/17 Introduced; 4/27: 276--referred to committee of whole w/ S-1; 277--referred to committee of whole	Voted to support; submitted letter at hearing	
HB 4441, 4442, 4443	Cross-reporting: ACOs must report child abuse and CPS must report animal abuse; Rep's. Kosowski, Lucido, Leutheuser	3/30/17 Introduced; referred to Judiciary	Voted to support with recommendations	
SB 301	Revisions to animal fighting, neglect and cruelty statute to more clearly exempt farming/ag/livestock	4/18/17 Introduced; referred to Judiciary; 5/10: reported favorably w/o amendment, referred to Committee of the Whole	Voted to oppose change to exemption language; submitted letter at hearing	
SB 316	Repeals law protecting frogs from being hunted at certain times of yr, from being speared using artificial light; Sen. Booher	4/25/17 Introduced; referred to Nat. Resources; hearing 5/24; passed Senate, 29-8-1, 6/8; referred to House Nat. Resources 6/8; H-2) passed House, 69-39, 11/30; Senate concurred 30-8, 2/1/18; Gov. signed 2/14; assigned PA20'18 with immediate effect 2/15	Voted to oppose; submitted testimony and attended hearings in both Senate, House Natural Resources Committee 5/24 and 10/11	PA20'18
SB 413, 414	Mandatory minimum for animal fighting; Sen. O'Brien (also Jones, Bieda, Hertel, Knollenberg, Rocca, Brandenburg)	5/20/2017 Introduced; referred to Judiciary; 6/6 hearing; 6/8 reported favorably without amendment	Voted to support; submitted testimony and testified at 6/6 hearing	

SB 416	Adoption of dogs seized for fighting; Sen. Rocca (was 4765 of 2015)	5/31/2017 Introduced; referred to Judiciary; 6/6 hearing; 6/8 reported favorably without amendment	Voted to support; submitted testimony and testified at 6/6 hearing	
SB 496 to 500	Leaving animals unattended in vehicles is crime; revises sentencing guidelines; 498-500 are housekeeping to update other statutes); Sen. Hertel	6/28/2017 Introduced, referred to Judiciary	Voted to support; recommend a companion bill be introduced that would allow "Good Samaritans" to rescue animals in danger	
HB 4813	New training procedures, requirements to administer euthanasia drugs to animals; Rep. Vaupel	7/12/2017 Introduced, referred to Reg Reform; passed House 11/9; S-1 passed Senate 2/1/18; House concurred 2/6/18; Gov. signed 2/20; assigned PA34'18 with immediate effect 2/22	Voted to support; submitted testimony and testified at 10/25 hearing	PA34'18
HR 154	Resolution to encourage the Natural Resources Commission to add the Sandhill crane to the game species list; Rep. Lower	9/20/2017 Introduced, referred to Natural Resources; 10/11 hearing; reported with recommendation and without amendment; passed House on voice vote 10/18	AFA voted to oppose; submitted testimony and testified at 10/4 hearing	adopted 10/18/17
HB 5063, 5064	Leaving animals unattended in vehicles is crime (companion to SB 496); Reps. Green, Yaroch	10/5/2017 Introduced; referred to Law and Justice	[see SB 496-500, above]	
HB 5069	Shelter pet is official pet of state; Rep. Howrylak	10/5/2017 Introduced; referred to Gov. Ops.	Voted to support	
SR 105	Resolution calling on Congress to remove western Great Lakes wolf population from endangered, threatened list; Sen. Casperson	10/11/2017 Introduced; rules suspended; referred to Natural Resources; 10/18 hearing; reported with recommendation and without amendment 10/19	Voted to oppose; submitted testimony and testified at 10/18 hearing	
HB 5188	Amends 206.30 to provide deduction on MI income tax for costs, care, maintenance of service dog; Rep. Gay-Dagnogo	10/26/2017 Introduced; referred to Tax Policy	Voted to support	
HJR Y	Propose constitutional amendment to exempt prescription drugs or food for use or consumption by a service animal from sales, use tax; Rep. Gay-Dagnogo	10/26/2017 Introduced; referred to Tax Policy; 12/1	under review by AFA board	sponsor said to be withdrawing resolution
S 648	Regulation of Pet Insurance, with disclosure of exclusions and limits of policies; Sen. Bieda	11/2/2017 Introduced; referred to Insurance	under review by AFA board	

S 660	delays effective date for animal care standards for egg-laying hens; provides for enforcement; Sen. Meekhof	11/9/2017 Introduced; referred to Ag; 12/12 hearing; reported favorably without amendment; Substitute bill passed Senate on roll call vote -- YEAS 32; NAYS 5; EXCUSED 1; NOT VOTING 0, 1/31/2018. Referred to House Gov Ops 1/31	Voted to support; submitted letter at hearing	
HB 5277	Civil fine for driving while dog in driver's lap; Rep. Garrett	11/28/2017 Introduced; referred to Transportation and Infrastructure	Voted to support	
HB 5281	Regulates training of assistance animals and their trainers, "Assistance ani TIE BAR WITH: HB 5357	11/28/2017 Introduced by Rep. Lucido; referred to Ag	under review by AFA board	
SB 663	Regulates certification of "emotional support animals" and penalizes violations; Sen. MacGregor	11/28/2017 Introduced by Sen. MacGregor; referred to Local Government	under review by AFA board	
SB 708, 709	Amends Dangerous Dog law, revises procedure and penalties; 3 categories ("vicious," "dangerous" dogs; "dangerous" animals); Introduced by Sen. Schmidt (also Knezek, Robertson, Bieda)	12/5/2017 Introduced; referred to Judiciary; 2/20/2018 hearing, adjourned; 3/8 reported favorably without amendment	Voted to support; submitted testimony and testified at 2/20 hearing	
SB 710	Revise 750.49 re Dog Fighting crimes to provide for evaluation, adoption of dogs used for fighting; Sen. Knezek	12/5/2017 Introduced; referred to Judiciary; 2/20/2018 hearing, adjourned; 3/8 reported favorably without amendment	Voted to support; submitted testimony and testified at 2/20 hearing	See SB 413, 414, 416
HB 5321	Prevents DNR from issuing permits to sterilize "game"; Rep. Cole	12/5/2017 Introduced; referred to Natural Resources; 1/17/18, 1/24 hearings, took testimony; subcommittee appointed, which proposed substitute H-1; 3/21: reported with recommendation with substitute H-1	Voted to oppose; submitted testimony; attended Nat. Res. Committee hearing 1/17, attended and testified at 1/24 hearing	Subcommittee members: Reps Vander Wall (chair); Bellino; Cambensy
HB 5356	Dog License can include designation as service, emotional support animal; misdemeanor to fraudulently claim status; Rep. Lucido	12/13/2017 Introduced; referred to Ag	under review by AFA board	
HB 5357	Amend Civil Rights Act re issuance of identification and patches for service animals; Rep. Lucido; TIE BAR WITH: HB 5281	12/13/2017 Introduced; referred to Ag	under review by AFA board	

SB 741	New act to prevent BSL by local governments; Sen. Robertson	1/10/2018 Introduced; referred to Judiciary; 2/20 hearing, adjourned; 3/8 reported favorably without amendment	Voted to support; submitted testimony and testified at 2/20 hearing	
HB 5441	Amends Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act to add the following: THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOT EXPEND STATE FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF MANAGING THE WOLF POPULATION IN THIS STATE; Rep. LaFave	1/24/2018 introduced; referred to Natural Resources	Voted to oppose	
HB 5645	Amends Revised Judicate Act to add definition for "Courtroom Support Dog" to allow witnesses to have these dogs present during testimony; Rep. Barrett	2/27/2018 introduced; referred to Judiciary	Under review	
HB 5711	Remove age limit to hunt on public lands; Rep. Cole	3/13/2018 introduced; referred to Natural Resources	Under review	