

Attorneys for Animals Legislative Tracker (2019-2020 Session: to September 29, 2019)

MICHIGAN

Bill #	Description	Actions	AFA Action	Notes
HB 4035	New act to prohibit local government regulating dog based on breed/perceived breed; Rep. Ellison + 9 co-sponsors (bipartisan)	1/15/2019 Introduced, referred to Local Gov't (3 sponsors on committee)	Support	SB 741, 2017-18 Session (AFA supported)
SB 0012	Amends Horse Racing law of 1995, creates a new class of license, third party facilitator licenses, to facilitate wagering on simulcast and live horse racing; Sen. Lauwers	1/15/2019 Introduced, referred to Agriculture	Oppose	
SB 0037	Allow feeding, baiting deer, elk; Sen. VanderWall	1/16/2019 introduced, referred to Nat Res; 4/10, 5/15 hearings (testimony, no vote)	Oppose, submitted written testimony at 4/10 committee hearing	See HB 4439, although not companion bill
HB 4092	Amends code of criminal procedure to provide immunity from prosecution for forcible entry into a motor vehicle to rescue animal; Rep. LaFave + 8 co-sponsors (bipartisan)	1/24/2019 introduced, referred to Judiciary (3 sponsors on committee)	Support with recommendations	HB 6298 2017-18 session (AFA supported); also see SB 496, 497, 2017-18 session, making it a crime to leave animal in vehicle (AFA supported w/ recommendation)
SB 0063	Provides deduction for costs, care, maintenance of service animal; Sen. Alexander + 4 co-sponsors	1/24/2019 introduced, referred to Finance (2 sponsors on committee)	Support with recommendations	HB 5188, 2017-18 session (AFA supported)

HB 4102	Amends dog fighting law to include "other thing of value" in prohibition on profiting from dog fights (part of package revising penal code to encompass cryptocurrency); Rep. Marino + 4 co-sponsors (bipartisan)	1/29/2019 introduced, referred to Finance (3 sponsors on committee); 3/13, referred to Judiciary; 3/19, reported with recommendation and without amendment; 4/9, passed, given immediate effect Roll Call # 37 Yeas 108 Nays 1; 4/10 referred to Senate Judiciary	Support; submitted written testimony at 3/19 hearing	HB 6255, 2017-18 session (AFA supported)
SB 0174	Overhaul of Animal Industry Act; related bills amend various statutes, are tie- barred to 0174 (SB 0175-0183); Sen. Daley + 4 co-sponsors (bipartisan)	3/7/2019 introduced, referred to Agriculture (4 of 5 sponsors on committee); 6/6 hearing with sub bill	Opposed original because it would have repealed phase out of 3 egregious confinement Agriculture practices; oppose sub because it extends time for phase out w/o any trade-off, defines "animal welfare" to include "animal husbandry"; submitted testimony and testified at 6/6 hearing	HB 6205, 2017-18 session (AFA opposed certain provisions of bill and process which excluded animal advocates in process; bill vetoed due to egg-laying hen provisions)
HB 4340	Revises "hunter harrassment law" to criminalize recording hunter/fisher with intent to harrass; Rep. Reilly + 4 co-sponsors	3/12/2019 introduced, referred to Nat Res (2 of 4 sponsors on committee); 5/21, committee hearing, testimony taken, no vote; 6/4, referred with recommendation to Ways and Means, with sub H-1	Oppose; submitted testimony and testified at 6/4 hearing	
SR 0030	Encourage NRC to add Sandhill crane as game species; Sen Zorn + 6 others (bipartisan)	4/9/2019 introduced, referred to Nat Res (1 sponsor on committee); 4/24, reported with recommendation and without amendment; 4/25, placed on Order of Resolutions	Oppose; submitted testimony at 6/4 hearing	
HB 4439	Allows feeding of wildlife, birds under certain circumstances; Rep. Cole	4/9/2019 introduced, referred to Nat Res	Support	See SB 37, although not companion bill
HR 0061	Encourage NRC to add Sandhill crane as game species; Rep. Lower + 6 others (bipartisan)	4/10/2019 introduced, referred to Nat Res (2 sponsors on committee)	Oppose	HR 154 2017-18 session (AFA opposed)

HB 4455	Designates the shelter pet as the official state pet; Rep. Kuppa + 9 others (bipartisan)	4/16/2019 introduced, referred to Gov Ops	Support	HB 5069 in 2017-18 session; AFA supported
SR 0038	Encourage USFWS to de-list gray wolves, turn over to state management; Sen. McBroom + 6 others	4/23/2019 introduced, rules suspended, referred to Nat Res (2 of 7 sponsors on committee, including chair); 4/24 hearing, reported favorably w/o amendment; 4/25, placed on Order of Resolutions	Oppose, submitted testimony and testified at 4/24 hearing	See HR 0087
HB 4496	Requires research facilities to offer animals no longer used for research to animal protection shelters for adoption, and to report to MDARD; Rep. Hertel + 14 others (bipartisan)	4/24/2019 introduced, referred to Reg Reform	Support	
HR 0087	Encourage USFWS to de-list gray wolves, turn over to state management; Rep. Markannen + 16 others (16 R, 1 D)	5/2/2019 introduced, referred to Nat Res; 9/10 hearing, reported with recommendation w/o amendment	Oppose, submitted testimony and testified at 9/10 hearing	See SR 0038
SB 0316, 0317	Makes it a crime to knowingly provide an animal to another who intends to abuse, mistreat the animal; or to provide an animal to another who intends to use it in fighting; Sens MacDonald (316), Wojno (317) + 2 others (bipartisan)	5/14/2019 introduced, referred to Judiciary (1 of 4 sponsors is chair)	Support with recommendations	SB 0317 tie barred, sentencing guidelines revision

HB 4592	Amends 750.50 to allow appointment of advocate (law student or lawyer) in criminal prosecutions related to treatment, welfare or custody of animals, to represent the interests of the animal or the interests of justice + 12 others (bipartisan)	5/15/2019 introduced, referred to Judiciary (1 co-sponsor on committee)	Support	HB 6029 2017-18 session (AFA supported)
HB 4593	Amends Public Health Code to require veterinarian determine devocalization procedure is for therapeutic purpose, before performing the procedure; Rep. Sneller + 12 others (bipartisan)	5/15/2019 introduced, referred to Agriculture (1 co-sponsor on committee)	Support	HB 6031 2017-18 session (AFA supported)
HB 4594	New act, amending 750.50 to ban private ownership of non human primates; imposes misdemeanor penalties; Rep. Ellison + 10 co-sponsors	5/15/2019 introduced, referred to Agriculture (1 co-sponsor on committee)	Support	HB 6032 2017-18 session (AFA supported)
HB 4595	Requires carrier pigeon permit applicants to comply with all local ordinances; Rep. Liberati + 10 co-sponsors	5/15/2019, introduced, referred to Agriculture (1 co-sponsor on committee)	Support	
HB 4596	New act to establish and promote community cat programs, exempt caretakers from certain state, local laws, Rep. Pohutsky + 9 co-sponsors	5/15/2019, introduced, referred to Agriculture (1 co-sponsor on committee)	Support	New this session; AFA involved in drafting

HB 4641	tie bar with 4593, amends 750.50 to make it crime to devocalize by other than vet; Gay-Dagnogo + 11 co-sponsors	5/21/2019 introduced, referred to Agriculture (2 co-sponsors on committee)	Support	AFA supports HB 4593 (above); HB 6034 in last session -- AFA supported
HB 4687	Allow feeding, baiting deer, elk; Rep. Hoitenga + 4 co-sponsors	6/4/2019 introduced, referred to Gov. Ops; 9/17 hearing	Oppose	See SB 37 (companion) which AFA opposed
SB 352	"Cross reporting" bill amending animal crimes statute to add requirement for CPS workers to report animal abuse; Sen. Lucido	6/5/2019 introduced, referred to Judiciary (sponsor is chair)	Recommend changes, submitted recommendations to sponsor	HB 4442 in 2017-18 session
SB 419	Provide for registration and regulation of animal rescues; Sen. Lucido	8/20/2019 introduced, referred to Agriculture	In review	
SB 429	Amends animal crimes bill to require veterinarians to report suspected animal abuse of companion animals; Sen. Lucido	8/20/2019 introduced, referred to Judiciary (sponsor is chair)	Support	
HB 4860	Revises LCA to exempt non-residents from regulation; Rep. Albert	8/29/2019 introduced, referred to Agriculture	Oppose	
HB 4910, and 4911	Emotional Support animals, 4910 is new statute, 4911 amends LL/Ten act	9/3/2019 introduced, referred to Reg Reform (4910 Hall is member)	In review	
HB 4931	Amend motor vehicle code to prohibit operating vehicle with dog on lap; Rep. Garrett + 21 co-sponsors (nominally bipartisan)	9/10/2019 introduced, referred to Transportation (3 co-sponsors on Committee, 1 is MVC)	Support	AFA Supported 5277 of 2017
HB 4941	Increase time for court to hold hearing on dogs seized from fighting operations; Rep. Miller	9/11/2019 introduced, referred to Judiciary	Oppose	

HR 154	Call on NPS to institute moose hunt on Isle Royale; Rep. Johnson + 4 co-sponsors (bi-partisan)	9/11/2019 introduced, referred to Nat Res	In review	
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Attorneys for Animals Legislative Tracker (116th Congress to: September 29, 2019)

FEDERAL (Select)

Bill #	Description	Actions	AFA Action	Notes
H.R. 249	FACT Act: Increase transparency about efforts to reduce government animal tests, Rep. Calvert (R-CA) + 2 original co-sponsors	1/4/2019 introduced, referred to Energy and Commerce; 1/31, referred to Subcommittee on Health	Support	22 co-sponsors; 17-D; 5-R (none MI)
H.Res. 34	Designated 1st Saturday in October, "National Animal Rescue Day", Rep. Norcross (NJ)	1/9/2019 introduced, referred to Oversight and Reform	Support	13 co-sponsors; 10-D; 3-R (none MI)
H.R. 693/S 1007	U.S. Senator Joseph D. Tydings Memorial PAST Act, amend Horse Protection Act to prevent soaring on Tennessee Walking Horses, Rep. Schrader (D-OR) + 5 original co-sponsors	1/22/2019 introduced, referred to Energy and Commerce; 1/31, referred to Subcommittee on Consumer Protection and Commerce; 5/23, motion to place bill on Consensus Calendar. 4/3/2019: companion bill introduced in US Senate, Sens. Mike Crapo, R-Idaho, and Mark Warner, D-Va. 7/25: passed House 333-96. Senate, 7/29 received and referred to Commerce, Science, Transportation	Support	House: 307 co-sponsors, including Reps. Dingell, Walberg, Kildee, Mitchell, Slotkin, Upton, Lawrence, Stevens, Levin, Tlaib; 226-D; 81-R. Senate: 40 co-sponsors, including Sen. Peters; 33-D; 1-R; 2-I
H.R. 724	PACT Act: Called the federal animal cruelty bill, makes the most malicious acts of animal cruelty felonies under federal law, Reps. Deutch (D-FL), Buchanan (R-FL)	1/23/2019 introduced, referred to Judiciary; 3/5, referred to Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security	Support	289 co-sponsors, including Reps. Upton, Slotkin, Kildee, Lawrence, Mitchell, Walberg, Stevens, Levin, Dingell, Moolenaar, Tlaib; 209-D; 80-R

H.R. 737/S. 877	<p>Shark Fin Sales Elimination Act, ban US shark fin trade, Reps. Sablan (D-Northern Mariana Islands), McCaul (R-TX) + 50 original co-sponsors. Senate: Sen. Booker (D-NJ)</p>	<p>1/23/2019 introduced, referred to Natural Resources; 2/11, referred to Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife; 3/26, Subcommittee hearings held. Senate, 3/26 introduced, referred to Commerce, Science, and Transportation; 4/3 ordered to be reported without amendment favorably</p>	<p>Support</p>	<p>241 co-sponsors, including Reps. Mitchell, Dingell, Lawrence, Slotkin, Upton, Levin, Bergman; 181-D; 60-R. Senate: S. 877, 17 including 13 original co-sponsors (none Michigan); 11-D; 6-R</p>
H.R. 864	<p>Wildlife Conservation and Anti-Trafficking Act to enforcement Agriculture against wildlife trafficking by making violations organized crime offenses, and increase incentives for informants, Rep. Garamendi (D-CA) + 1 original co-sponsor</p>	<p>1/30/2019 introduced, referred to Natural Resources and Judiciary; 2/15, referred to Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife; 3/25, referred to Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security</p>	<p>Support</p>	<p>73 co-sponsors, including Reps. Upton, Dingell; 63-D; 10-R</p>
H.R. 961/S. 2006	<p>SAFE Act would prohibit horse slaughter plants from opening; end sale, transport of horses and horse parts in the U.S. and abroad for human consumption, Rep. Schakowsky (D-IL) + 1 original co-sponsor. Senate: Sen. Menendez (D-NJ) + 3 original co-sponsors</p>	<p>2/5/2019 introduced, referred to Energy and Commerce, and to Agriculture; 3/1, referred to Subcommittee on Livestock and Foreign Agriculture.</p>	<p>Support</p>	<p>House: 179 co-sponsors, including Rep. Slotkin, Lawrence; 157-D; 22-R. See Senate bill S. 2006, introduced 6/27/2019, referred to Judiciary; Sen. Menendez + 3 original co-sponsors; 2-R; 1-D</p>

H.R. 1002	<p>Welfare of Our Friends (WOOF) Act, amend Animal Welfare Act to prohibit issuance of licenses to individuals connected to dealers of dogs who have had licenses revoked, Reps. Fitzpatrick (R-PA), Crist, (D-FL), Thompson (R-PA), McGovern (D-MA) + 3 original co-sponsors</p>	<p>2/6/2019 introduced, referred to Agriculture; 3/1, referred to Subcommittee on Livestock and Foreign Agriculture</p>	<p>Support</p>	<p>108 co-sponsors, including Reps. Kildee, Upton, Lawrence; 93-D; 15-R</p>
H.R. 1042	<p>PREPARED Act, amends Animal Welfare Act to require research facility, dealer, exhibitor, intermediate handler, carrier, or Federal research facility to develop emergency plans, Rep. Titus (D-NV)</p>	<p>2/7/2019 introduced, referred to Agriculture; 3/1, referred to Subcommittee on Livestock and Foreign Agriculture</p>	<p>Support</p>	<p>99 co-sponsors, including 35 original co-sponsors, Reps. Upton, Stevens, Slotkin, Levin, Kildee, Lawrence; 92-D; 7-R</p>
H.R.1209	<p>"Humane and Existing Alternatives in Research and Testing Sciences" "HEARTS Act of 2019" to amend Public Health Service Act to prioritize non-animal methods for research conducted or supported by NIH, Reps. Roybal-Albert (D-CA), Calvert (R-CA) + 1 original co-sponsor</p>	<p>2/13/2019 introduced, referred to Energy and Commerce</p>	<p>Support</p>	<p>13 co-sponsors; 11-D; 2-R (none MI)</p>

H.R. 1380	<p>"Big Cat Public Safety Act" would amend the Lacey Act to possession by individuals, prohibit exhibition by roadside zoos and strengthen penalties; Rep. Quigley (D-IL) + 53 original co-sponsors</p>	<p>2/26/2019 introduced, referred to Natural Resources; 3/12, referred to Subcommittee on Water, Oceans and Wildlife; 3/26, Subcommittee Hearings Held; 9/18 Ordered to be Reported 21 - 14</p>	<p>Support</p>	<p>138 co-sponsors, including 53 original and Rep. Slotkin, Lawrence; 123-D; 15-R</p>
H.R. 1568	<p>"Scientific Assistance for Very Endangered (SAVE) Right Whales Act" to provide resources for the conservation of Right whales; Rep. Moulton (D-MA) + 4 original co-sponsors</p>	<p>3/6/2019 introduced, referred to Natural Resources and to Budget; 3/22, referred to Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife; 3/26, Subcommittee hearings held; 5/1 Ordered to be Reported (Amended), 23 - 13</p>	<p>Support</p>	<p>50 co-sponsors, including Rep. Slotkin; 44-D; 6-R</p>
H.R. 1754	<p>"Horseracing Integrity Act" would require independent authority to develop, enforce anti-doping program to regulate the industry; Rep. Tonko, (D-NY) + 27 original co-sponsors</p>	<p>3/14/2019 introduced, referred to Energy and Commerce</p>	<p>Support</p>	<p>154 co-sponsors, including Reps. Upton, Slotkin, Levin, Lawrence; 117-D; 37-R</p>
H.R. 2245	<p>Conserving Ecosystems by Ceasing the Importation of Large (CECIL) Animal Trophies Act would restrict the importation of sport-hunted species proposed for listing under ESA, tighten requirements that hunting be done for conservation, enhance transparency of permitting process; Rep. Grijalva (D-AZ)</p>	<p>4/10/2019 introduced, referred to Natural Resources, and to Foreign Affairs and Ways and Means; 4/29, referred to Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife; 7/18, Subcommittee hearings held; 9/18, Ordered to be Reported (Amended) 19 - 16.</p>	<p>Support</p>	<p>30, including 9 original co-sponsors; 30-D; Sponsor is Chair of House Natural Resources Committee; (none MI)</p>

H.R. 2442	<p>"Puppy Protection Act" amends the Animal Welfare Act to require stronger standards for commercial breeders re vet care, housing, breeding practices, socialization and placement of retired breeding dogs; Rep. Fitzpatrick (R-PA) + 3 original co-sponsors</p>	<p>5/1/2019 introduced, referred to Agriculture; 5/16, referred to Subcommittee on Livestock and Foreign Agriculture</p>	<p>Support</p>	<p>29, including 3 original and Reps. Slotkin, Kildee; 28-D; 1-R</p>
H.R. 2795	<p>Wildlife Corridors Conservation Act, establishes corridors to provide for protection, restoration of native fish, wildlife, and plant species; Reps. Beyer (D-VA), Buchanan (R-FL)</p>	<p>5/16/ 2019 introduced, referred to Natural Resources, Agriculture, Armed Services and Infrastructure; from 5/17 to 6/3, referred to 4 Natural Resources Subcommittees; 6/10 referred to Agriculture Subcommittee</p>	<p>Support</p>	<p>6, including 1 original co-sponsor (none MI); 5-D; 1-R</p>
H.R. 2808	<p>Child and Animal Abuse Detection and Reporting Act, to include data on animal abuse in the national clearinghouse for information relating to child abuse, neglect; Reps. Kuster (D-NH), Katko (R-NY)</p>	<p>5 /16/2019 introduced, referred to Education and Labor</p>	<p>Support</p>	<p>20, including 1 original co-sponsor; 17-D; 3-R (none MI)</p>
H.R. 2863	<p>Traveling Exotic Animal and Public Safety Protection Act (TEAPSPA), amend AWA by restricting the use of exotic and wild animals in traveling circuses; Reps. Grijalva (D-AZ) and David Schweikert (R-AZ)</p>	<p>5/21/2019 introduced, referred to Agriculture; 6/21, referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock and Foreign Agriculture</p>	<p>Support</p>	<p>41, including 16 original co-sponsors ; 40-D; 1-R (none MI)</p>

H.R. 2897, S. 2322	<p>AFTER Act, require all federal agencies to have policies allowing animals protected under AWA used in lab testing to be adopted or retired to sanctuaries after experiments over; Rep. Broyle (D-PA). Senate: Sen. Collins (R-ME)</p>	<p>5/22/2019 introduced, referred to Agriculture; 6/21, referred to Subcommittee on Livestock and Foreign Agriculture. Senate, 7/30 introduced, referred to Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry</p>	<p>Support</p>	<p>House: 40 co-sponsors, including Rep. Upton; 34-D; 6-R. Senate bill S. 2322: 6 including 3 original co-sponsors including Sen. Peters</p>
H.R. 4211	<p>Animal Welfare Act Enforcement Improvement Act, expands USDA oversight, enforcement of AWA; authorizes citizen suits; Rep. Krishnamoorthi (D-IL)</p>	<p>8/27/2019 introduced, referred to Agriculture; 9/4, referred to Subcommittee on Livestock and Foreign Agriculture</p>	<p>Support</p>	<p>20 co-sponsors; 18-D; 2-R (none MI)</p>
H.R. 4348/S. 2491	<p>PAW and FIN Conservation Act of 2019, to repeal new regulations that weaken the Endangered Species Act; Rep. Grijalva (D-AZ). Senate: Sen. Udall (D-NM)</p>	<p>9/17/2019 introduced (both House, Senate); referred to Natural Resources, referred to Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife; and referred to Sen. Environment and Public Works; 9/24 Subcommittee hearings held</p>	<p>In review</p>	<p>House: 27 including 23 original co-sponsors, including Rep. Dingell (25-D). Senate bill S. 2491, 13 including 10 original co-sponsors, 12-D; 1-I (none MI)</p>

H..R. 4494	Direct Interior Secretary to re-issue rule de-listing gray wolf from Endangered Species Act protection. Rep. Peterson (D-WI)	9/25/2019 introduced, referred to Natural Resources	In review	5 original co-sponsors, including Reps. Moolenaar and Huizenga
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