

## UAPPEAL

### GENERAL ANIMAL LEGISLATION THAT BECAME LAW IN 2020

COLORADO	<a href="#">HB20-1343</a>	Egg-laying Hen Confinement Standards	Effective 90 Days	Signed into law 7/1/20
<p>Creates new egg-laying hen confinement standards:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Requires 1 square foot enclosure by 1/1/23</li> <li>• Requires either cage-free enclosures by 1/1/25 or 1 square foot of usable floor space per hen if vertical space or 1.5 square feet if no vertical space</li> <li>• Bans sale of eggs or products by hens in enclosures that do not meet requirements</li> </ul> <p>Exempt from caging: medical research, veterinary purposes, transport, state or county fair or 4-H or similar, slaughter, temporary animal husbandry up to 6 hours/day and 24 hours/30 days</p> <p>Exempt from sale:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. production, sale or transport by farm owner with 3000 or less egg-laying hens annually</li> <li>2. sale or transport to in-state business location if <u>each</u> location sells less than 25 cases of 30 dozen eggs per week AND <u>all</u> locations sell less than 100 cases of 30 dozens eggs per week AND business owner does NOT own or operate a farm</li> </ol>				
COLORADO	<a href="#">SB20-078</a> Chapter 66	Dogs On Restaurant Patios	Effective 8/5/2020	Signed into law 3/23/20
<p>Allows dogs in outdoor dining area of food establishment if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• it elects to allow them,</li> <li>• there is a separate entrance for the dog to enter/exit,</li> <li>• dogs are not allowed on any furniture,</li> <li>• area is not used for food or drink preparation except drink refills,</li> <li>• dog is on leash or in carrier and under control</li> <li>• local ordinances are followed regarding sidewalks, public nuisances and sanitation</li> <li>• county or district public health agency control measures are followed</li> </ul> <p>Cities and counties may prohibit dogs in outdoor areas. Restaurants are not required to allow them.</p>				

COLORADO	<a href="#">SB20-104</a>	Powers Of Bureau Of Animal Protection Agents	Effective 8/5/2020	Signed into law 6/29/20
Grants additional authority to bureau of animal protection agents including conducting investigations and seized and impounding animals believed to be involved in cruelty				
DELAWARE	<a href="#">SB 139</a>	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 16 AND TITLE 11 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO CRUELTY TO DOGS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR HUMANE HANDLING, CARE AND TREATMENT OF DOGS.	Effective Immediately	Signed into law 3/11/20
<p>Revises the law for outdoor housing facilities for dogs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prohibits dogs from being outside and unattended with conditions that pose serious adverse risk to health and safety (exposed to elements for 15 minutes not in range of owner) except for livestock and farm dogs</li> <li>• Requires shelter to be moisture proof and windproof with raised floor and made of durable materials with a windbreaker at entrance during Nov 1 – Mar 1</li> <li>• Bans metal doghouses</li> <li>• Must be provided access to food and water</li> <li>• Prohibits tethers from being attached to choke, pinch, prong, or martingale collar AND prevents tethering more than 2 hours when owner is not on property</li> <li>• Bans wire only floors</li> <li>• Considers tethering more than 9 hours a day to be cruelty except for farms</li> <li>• Civil penalties of \$100 + costs for 1<sup>st</sup> violation, \$250 + cost for 2<sup>nd</sup>, and \$500 + costs per additional</li> </ul> <p>Requires dogs to be leashed when outside except while on owner’s property, private property with permission or inside a vehicle except for working dogs and at off-leash dog parks</p>				
FLORIDA	<a href="#">SB 1084</a> Chapter 2020-76	Emotional Support Animals	Effective 7/1/2020	Signed into law 6/23/20
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prohibits discriminating in providing housing against people with a disability who need an emotional support animal to the extent required by federal law and charging extra for the animal</li> <li>• Allows housing provider to deny request for animal if it is a direct threat to health and safety of others or damage to property if it cannot be eliminated by another reasonable accommodation AND require them to verify disability if not apparent including with determination of disability from agency, receipt of disability benefits, proof of eligibility of housing assistance due to disability, information from health care provider or telehealth provider, or other source allowed under Fair Housing Act AND verify need for animal if not apparent with information that identifies use of animal from health care provider or telehealth provider or other reliable source</li> <li>• Prohibits requiring disclosure of specific disability, severity of it or medical records</li> <li>• Allows housing provider to have method for analyzing requests but not require a specific form or deny someone for failing to follow method</li> <li>• Emotional support registration card not sufficient for determining need for support animal</li> <li>• Person with animal is liable for damage to person or property</li> </ul>				

FLORIDA	<a href="#">HB 705</a> Ch. 2020-132	Emergency Sheltering of Persons with Pets	Effective 7/1/2020	Signed into law 6/29/20
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Requires counties that designate emergency shelters to designate one for people with pets that is in compliance with relevant FEMA regulations</li> <li>Adds Department of Education to those that help with strategies for evacuating people with pets</li> </ul>				
IDAHO	<a href="#">H0356</a> Chapter 66	Cattle, nutrient plans	Effective 7/1/2020	Signed into law 3/9/2020
Use of web-based nutrient management planner requires consent of plan to be filed with state department of Agriculture, which will be considered trade secrets and kept confidential				
IDAHO	<a href="#">S1286</a> Chapter 135	Trespassing hogs	Effective 7/1/2020	Signed into law 3/15/2020
Repeals sections related to hogs running at large within towns				
IOWA	<a href="#">HF 2310</a>	A bill for an act removing the requirement to obtain a permit for vehicles or combinations of vehicles of excessive size transporting divisible loads of hay, straw, stover, or bagged livestock bedding that meet certain width, height, and length requirements.		Signed into law 6/17/2020
Revises requirements for vehicles transporting hay, straw, stover or bagged livestock bedding				
IOWA	<a href="#">SF 2176</a> <a href="#">SF 2398</a>	A bill for an act establishing a rural veterinarian loan repayment program for veterinary students and certain licensed veterinarians and a rural veterinary care trust fund, and making appropriations.		Signed into law 6/17/2020
Establishes rural veterinarian loan repayment program for those in their final year and become licensed within 5 years that practice in rural service commitment areas or veterinary shortage areas in Iowa for 4 years AND who are not in a federal program				
KENTUCKY	<a href="#">SB 21</a> Chapter 117	AN ACT relating to veterinarians.	Effective 90 Days	Signed into law 4/24/2020
Allows veterinarians that finds an animal is abused that they have a veterinarian-client-patient relationship with to report it to Office of State Veterinarian for those with on-farm poultry or livestock standards or to law enforcement for all others AND allows them to release information concerning care in such cases				

LOUISIANA	<a href="#">HB754</a> Act 159	AGRICULTURE: Expands the powers and authority of livestock brand inspectors	Effective 8/1/2020	Signed into law 6/9/2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Expands powers of livestock brand inspectors to granting them regular law enforcement duties while on special assignment during riot, insurrection, declared disaster or while protecting property, assets and resources of the Department of Agriculture and Forestry</li> <li>Expands duties to preventing and detecting crime, apprehending criminals, enforcing criminal and traffic laws, keeping peace and order and any other duties upon request of law enforcement of state</li> </ul>				
MARYLAND	<a href="#">HB0171</a> Chapter 93	Crimes Against Animals - Interference With Equines	Effective 10/1/2020	Enacted 5/8/2020
Extends ban on interfering with horses to include equines (horse, donkey, mule and pony) and adds those used for any other lawful activity AND revises penalty to misdemeanor with fine up to \$1000 and/or 1 year imprisonment (was felony with imprisonment of 1-3 years)				
MARYLAND	<a href="#">HB 311</a> Chapter 161 <a href="#">SB0101</a> Chapter 162	Courts - Court Dog and Child Witness Program - Established	Effective 10/1/2020	Enacted 5/8/2020
Creates court dog and child witness program in each county that adopts it to provide court dog or therapy dog to any child witness in circuit court proceeding including an in-camera review or interaction with judge or meeting with an attorney or custody evaluator				
MARYLAND	<a href="#">HB0545</a> Chapter 243 <a href="#">SB0189</a> Chapter 244	State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners - Practicing Veterinary Medicine Without a License - Cease and Desist Order and Civil Penalty	Effective 10/1/2020	Enacted 5/8/2020
Creates cease and desist order for veterinarians for violations of the law or that poses serious risk to health, safety or welfare of animal patient or imposing a civil penalty up to \$5000 for 1 <sup>st</sup> offense and \$10,000 per additional which is based on seriousness and harm caused – violators get notice, option for hearing and review				
MARYLAND	<a href="#">HB0547</a> Chapter 247 <a href="#">SB0455</a> Chapter 248	Health - Maryland Children's Service Animal Program - Establishment	Effective 10/1/2020	Enacted 5/8/2020
Creates Maryland Children's Service Animal Program				

MARYLAND	<a href="#">HB0549</a> Chapter 249	State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners - Sunset Extension and Program Evaluation	Effective 10/1/2020	Enacted 5/8/2020
Extends State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners to 2031 AND requires annual reporting to the Governor the disciplinary activities for the previous fiscal year				
MARYLAND	<a href="#">HB0897</a> Chapter 357 <a href="#">SB0353</a> Chapter 358	Black Bear Damage Reimbursement Fund - Pets	Effective 10/1/2020	Enacted 5/8/2020
Adds those who sustained damage to pets from black bear to reasons for which person can be reimbursed under the Black Bear Damage Reimbursement Fund				
MISSISSIPPI	<a href="#">HB 576</a>	Livestock on highways; delete burden on owner of livestock to prove lack of negligence when damages from.	Effective Immediately	Enacted 7/8/2020
For livestock on highways, deletes that the burden shall be on the owner to prove lack of negligence when it causes wrecks, injuries or deaths				
MISSISSIPPI	<a href="#">SB2658</a>	Domesticated dogs and cats; revise offense of abuse of.	Effective 7/1/2020	Enacted 7/8/2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clarifies that the Mississippi Dog and Cat Protection Law of 2011 applies to domesticated dogs and cage</li> <li>• Adds that each dog or cat is a separate offense</li> <li>• Revises aggravated cruelty to amend that it is for starving to death not just starving AND adds crushing, drowning, suffocating or impaling</li> <li>• increases aggravated penalty for 1<sup>st</sup> offense to felony up to \$5000 fine and/or department of corrections for 3 years (was misdemeanor of \$2500 and/or 6 months imprisonment)</li> <li>• Increases penalty of \$10,000 and DOC for 1 to 10 years (was \$5000)</li> <li>• Requires no domestic cats/dogs for 5 years and 15 years for more than 4 counts with \$1000 fine for illegally possessed animals</li> </ul>				

MISSOURI	<a href="#">SB 644</a>	Modifies law regarding service animals	Effective 8/21/2020	Signed into law 7/14/2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Deletes listing out examples of disabilities to just say person with a disability</li> <li>Amends so that instead of guide dog, hearing dog or service dog with service dog or dog listed in 209.200 and refers definition of service dog to as defined in that section</li> <li>Service dog is now a dog individually trained for the benefit of an individual (was for a particular person) and includes those used for physical, sensory, psychiatric, intellectual and mental disabilities</li> <li>Adds definition of mental health service dog or psychiatric service dog for owners with psychiatric disability, mental condition or developmental disability listed in Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders</li> <li>Prohibits misrepresenting dog as service dog AND misrepresenting animal as assistance animal under fair housing act including creating false documents stating such, knowingly providing false documents, fitting dog with a harness/collar/sign/vest that indicates such, or stating a dog is when it has not completed proper training – Class C misdemeanor and civil liability for damages and Class B misdemeanor for subsequent offense</li> <li>Requires governor’s council on disability to create placard for businesses stating that misrepresenting service animal is violation of law, create brochures on questions to ask for businesses and create brochure for landlords</li> </ul>				
NEW MEXICO	<a href="#">SB 57</a> Chapter 69	PET FOOD FEE FOR NEUTERING & SHELTERING	Effective 7/1/20	Signed into law 3/6/2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Limits spaying and neutering assistance to those with a household income below 200% of federal poverty level</li> <li>Allows up to 5% of total fees sent to statewide spay and neuter subaccount to be used for Animal Sheltering Act</li> <li>For reports, requires total dogs and cats spayed/neutered and costs per surgery paid from the subaccount</li> <li>Adds additional spay and neuter program fee to be collected from commercial food registrations of \$50 in 2021, \$75 in 2022, and \$100 after that except for prescription diet foods and pet food manufacturers with gross revenue of less than \$3 million – split by having 96% for subaccount and 4% for New Mexico Commercial Feed Act</li> <li>Repeals law in 2026</li> </ul>				
NEW YORK	<a href="#">S 6966</a> Chapter 67	Relates to the use of pesticides to protect livestock and farm property against Asian longhorned ticks	Effective when related law is	Signed into law 4/17/2020
Allows use of pesticides to protect from Asian longhorned ticks not just as a last resort				
RHODE ISLAND	<a href="#">SB 2246</a>	AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- DOG ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES -- FOSTER	Effective Immediately	Became Law w/o Signature 6/27/2020
Enables Foster town council to enact ordinances allowing dog officer to issue citations for violations (may be mailed) and enact the following penalties: fine up to \$20 for 1 <sup>st</sup> offense, up to \$30 for 2 <sup>nd</sup> offense and up to \$50 per additional offense each year				

RHODE ISLAND	<a href="#">SB 2247</a>	AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- IMPOUNDMENT AND DISPOSITION OF UNCOLLARED DOGS -- FOSTER	Effective Immediately	Became Law w/o Signature 6/27/2020
Allows town of Foster to enact ordinance for impoundment fee up to \$15/day for impounded dogs that are not collared and requiring fee be paid before animal is released				
SOUTH DAKOTA	<a href="#">HB 1227</a>	make an appropriation for the rural veterinary medical education program and to declare an emergency	Effective Immediately	Signed into law 3/16/20
Appropriates \$550,000 for rural veterinary medical education program at South Dakota State University to be used by 6/20/2022				
TENNESSEE	<a href="#">SB1747</a> Chapter 570	As enacted, provides for restrictions or a ban on ownership of a companion animal by certain person convicted of certain offenses against animals.	Effective 7/1/2020	Signed into law 3/19/20
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Requires court to prohibit person guilty of possessing or training an animal for fighting, using an animal in fighting, or allowing fighting to take place on one's property from owning a companion animal for 2 years</li> <li>• Requires court to order those convicted of aggravated cruelty to surrender custody of all companion animals (may be awarded to agency presenting case) and not have custody of companion animals for 2 years</li> <li>• Allows court to order those convicted of sexual activity with an animal to not harbor or own animals or live where they are present, participate in counseling, OR reimburse shelter or humane society for any animals taken there for such reasons AND requires court to prohibit them from having custody of a companion animal for 2 years</li> <li>• NOTE: Companion animal means any non-livestock animal including domesticated animal, previously captured wildlife, an exotic animal, or any other pet</li> </ul>				
UTAH	<a href="#">H.B. 228</a>	Livestock Predators Removal Amendments		Signed into law 3/24/20
Specifies provisions allowing the owner, family member or employee of livestock that is harassed, chased, disturbed, harmed, attacked, or killed by a predator to take such predator				
UTAH	<a href="#">H.B. 358</a>	Poultry Amendments		Signed into law 3/24/20
Creates less stringent rules for those that slaughter less than 20,000 poultry per year and 1000 poultry per year				
UTAH	<a href="#">H.J.R. 4</a>	Joint Resolution Establishing K9 Veterans Day		Signed into law 3/23/20
Designates March 13 each year as K9 Veterans Day				

VERMONT	<a href="#">H.254</a>	An act relating to adequate shelter for livestock	Effective 7/1/2020	Signed into law 6/23/20
<p>Revises shelter standards for livestock:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Capitalizes Equidae and Cervidae</li> <li>• Necessary medical attention includes surgical treatment in addition to medical and includes for dehydration, malnutrition or pain but now excludes illness AND includes impaired locomotion function instead of malformed or overgrown hooves</li> <li>• Husbandry practices must now be approved by <u>fully accredited</u> agricultural colleges</li> <li>• Adequate food now means sufficient nutritional content instead of sufficient quantity and quality</li> <li>• Adds definitions for adequate constructed shelter, adequate natural shelter and adequate ventilation</li> <li>• Adequate constructed shelter is well-drained and structurally sound building with waterproof roof of sufficient size to prevent windbreak and exposure to elements for all animals with an opening at least 6" higher than tallest animal's ears including with buildup</li> <li>• Adequate natural shelter means natural structure or formation that is well-drained and sufficient size to provide windbreak and protection from elements big enough for all outdoor animals</li> <li>• Adequate ventilation means ventilation in enclosed area is sufficient to control excess ambient temperatures and humidity and prevent accumulation of toxic gases</li> <li>• Requires livestock in enclosed areas must have access to adequate exercise AND requires equines without paddock or exercise area to be given free choice or forced work program to maintain normal tone and mass</li> <li>• Leashes, ropes and chains must be used to prevent tangling with access to shelter, food and water except when in transit or in immediate control of person</li> </ul>				
VERMONT	<a href="#">H. 656</a>	An act relating to miscellaneous agricultural subjects	Effective Immediately; 7/1/2020	Signed into law 7/1/20
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prohibits distributing commercial feed labeled as bait or feed for white-tailed deer</li> <li>• For livestock dealers, transporters and packers: records must include 1) all livestock purchased, possessed, sold or loaned, 2) name and address of person obtained from and delivered to, 3) official identification number (except equine must follow Ch 102 Subsection 2)</li> <li>• CWD deer testing must now be paid for by captive deer operation</li> <li>• Allows Secretary to waive interstate movement requirements for certain livestock</li> <li>• Bees: 1) Location of apiary is registered location when in accordance with section 3034, 2) owner must notify Secretary of any American foulbrood disease or other designated disease, 3) for 2<sup>nd</sup> inspection of diseased colony, disease must be confirmed by approved lab instead of federal one, 4) inspection for sale must be done before sale and need only be done once now, 5) requires import permit to import colonies</li> <li>• Requires permission to import or transport feral swine (domestic pig running free more than 96 hours with either a elongated snout, razorback ridge, smaller hindquarters, tusks OR is Eurasian wild boar or hybrid) excluding those collared by USDA to monitor movement</li> <li>• For escaped domestic pig, allows owner to request help from Secretary</li> <li>• Feral swine may be removed or killed by Department or USDA with the state not liable if it was due to public safety, it threatened or harmed a person or domestic animal, has damaged property, damaged natural resources or it could establish breeding population</li> <li>• anyone who kills one shall report to state game warden and present carcass within 24 hours</li> </ul>				



VIRGINIA	<a href="#">HB 764</a> Chapter 453	Domesticated animal premises; liability for transmission of domesticated animal pathogen.	Effective 7/1/20	Signed into law 3/25/2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Makes owner of domesticated animal premise (petting zoo, fair or agricultural exhibition where domestic animal is kept for 3 hours or more) immune from liability for damages caused to visitors by domesticated animal pathogen</li> <li>• Excludes gross negligence, willful and wanton misconduct or intentional acts of owner</li> <li>• Owner must post listed warning sign about immunity from liability and have a hand-washing station with soap, water and drying method</li> </ul>				
VIRGINIA	<a href="#">HB 1074</a> Chapter 315	Disturbing animals; certain species	Effective 7/1/20	Signed into law 3/12/2020
Replaces molest with harass in regarding to disturbing wild animals				
VIRGINIA	<a href="#">HB 1237</a> Chapter 407	Beehive distribution program.	Effective 7/1/20	Signed into law 3/23/2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Limits beehive units to 3 per household</li> <li>• Limits application submission time to 15 days and makes department select applicants at random and to notify those not selected</li> </ul>				
VIRGINIA	<a href="#">HB 1552</a> Chapter 954	Tethering animals; adequate shelter and space.	Effective 7/1/20	Signed into law 4/9/2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Animals tethered outdoors must be 1) protected from predators and be suited to tolerate such an environment, 2) not be out during hurricane or tropical storm warning, and 3) must not be out during a local or state heat advisory, when temperature is above 85 or less than 32 or during a severe weather warning unless animal control officer determines it to be safe</li> <li>• Tethers must be 15' long or 4x length of animal except when attached to lead line unless animal control officer determines that a tether between 10-15' is safer</li> </ul>				
VIRGINIA	<a href="#">HB 1573</a> Chapter 1183	Rabid animals.	Effective 7/1/20	Signed into law 4/11/2020
Creates Class A misdemeanor for allowing dog or cat to leave premises if local health department, law-enforcement agency or animal control agency suspects it of having rabies				
VIRGINIA	<a href="#">SB 114</a> Chapter 412	Comprehensive animal care; enforceable under Virginia Consumer Protection Act.	Effective 7/1/20	Signed into law 3/23/2020
Makes violating provision requiring pet shops to post information about dogs to be considered a prohibited practice under the law regarding misrepresenting goods and services and enforceable under that act except for making records available to State vet				

VIRGINIA	<a href="#">SB 272</a> Chapter 955	Tethering animals; adequate shelter and space.	Effective 7/1/20	Signed into law 4/9/2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Animals tethered outdoors must be 1) protected from predators and be suited to tolerate such an environment, 2) not be out during hurricane or tropical storm warning, and 3) must not be out during a local or state heat advisory, when temperature is above 85 or less than 32 or during a severe weather warning unless animal control officer determines it to be safe</li> <li>Tethers must be 15' long or 4x length of animal except when attached to lead line unless animal control officers determines that a tether between 10-15' is safer</li> </ul>				
VIRGINIA	<a href="#">SB 303</a> Chapter 569	Import and sale of dogs from certain breeders; penalty.	Effective 7/1/20	Signed into law 3/31/2020
Prohibits commercial dog breeder to import for sale, sell or offer for sale dogs that come from a person with USDA direct or critical violation or citations for 3+ indirect or noncritical violations in last 2 years or two consecutive citations for no access – Penalty is Class 1 misdemeanor per dog				
VIRGINIA	<a href="#">SB 742</a> Chapter 630	Rental or lease of dog or cat prohibited; civil penalty.	Effective 1/1/21	Signed into law 4/2/2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prohibits rental or leasing of dog or cat</li> <li>Prohibits covered person (pet shop, commercial dog breeder, pet dealer, firm, or other pet selling business) from offering agreement where dog or cat can be repossessed</li> <li>Prohibits financial institutions from offering loan for rental, lease or sale of dog or cat subject to repossession</li> <li>Violations are considered a prohibited practice regarding misrepresenting goods or services and covered by that act AND business, retail or pet shop permit may be revoked after a hearing</li> <li>Exempts purebred dog under breeding contract, dogs or cats in spectator events, shows, exhibitions, motion pictures, or other entertainment and service, guide or leader, security, police or law-enforcement, military, and certified facility dogs</li> </ul>				
VIRGINIA	<a href="#">SB 786</a> Chapter 1109	Animal shelters; housing conditions.	Effective 7/1/20	Signed into law 4/10/2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Calls animal shelter holds for strays a stray hold period and requires their enclosures to have durable, nonporous, moisture impervious materials able to be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected and to provide the animal with adequate care and access to outdoor areas</li> <li>For animals not in stray hold period, requires 1) enclosure with adequate separation of animals of different species, sexes, ages, and temperaments with both an outdoor area not detrimental to the animal's health and an indoor area with a solid floor, and 2) adequate water, food and resting platform</li> </ul>				

VIRGINIA	<a href="#">SB 891</a> Chapter 1284	Animal welfare regulations; keeping of dogs, cats, and rabbits; Animal Welfare Inspector.	Effective 7/1/20	Signed into law 5/21/2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Requires commissioner to employ 2 veterinarians as animal welfare inspectors</li> <li>Exempts research animal breeders from commercial dog breeder laws</li> <li>Requires Board to adopt regulations by 7/1/22 regarding keeping dogs and cats by pet shops (excludes agricultural animals), including requiring annual registration with fee of \$250 for for-profit entity, prohibiting selling to research facilities, standards of care (may apply to certain category), guidance on meeting requirements, requirement for annual inspection by animal welfare inspector and remedies for each finding</li> </ul>				
VIRGINIA	<a href="#">SB 1024</a> Chapter 535	Detector canines and detector canine handlers; training and database.	Effective 7/1/20	Signed into law 3/31/2020
Requires compulsory minimum training standards for detector canine handlers employed by the Department of Corrections				
WASHINGTON	<a href="#">SB 6300</a> Chapter 158	Concerning animal welfare.	Effective 6/11/20	Signed into law 3/25/2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Removes provision making those entering dog in dog fight guilty of Class C felony</li> <li>Creates misdemeanor for devocalizing a dog or cropping its ear or tail except for veterinarian using accepted surgical procedures including for cutting off more than ½ ear of various livestock</li> <li>Adds exposing animal to excessive heat or cold to 1<sup>st</sup> degree animal cruelty, requires factoring in animal's breed, age, health and medical conditions to determine if it constitutes cruelty, and exempts unforeseen and unpreventable accidents and acts of nature</li> <li>Adds that those convicted of cruelty are also banned from caring for any animals</li> <li>Adds that knowingly and recklessly abandoning an animal used in fights does not have to cause bodily harm to the animal to be 2<sup>nd</sup> degree animal cruelty</li> <li>Allows person finding abandoned animal to take to animal care and control or rescue facility</li> </ul>				
WEST VIRGINIA	<a href="#">HB 4514</a>	Permitting the tracking of wounded or injured deer or bear with leashed dogs	Effective 6/4/20	Signed into law 3/25/2020 -
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Allows using leash dogs to track mortally wounded or injured deer or bear AND requires dog handlers providing tracking services for profit to be licensed as outfitter</li> <li>Bans using dogs to hunt or chase deer with dog returned to owner, if known, or to a county humane officer</li> </ul>				

WEST VIRGINIA	<a href="#">SB 490</a>	Relating to the protection of animal and crop facilities	Effective 6/4/20	Signed into law 3/25/2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Trespassing on animal or crop facility with the intent to commit larceny, destroy property, or disrupt the operation of the facility is willful trespass – penalty is misdemeanor of \$500-1000 fine and/or up to 30 days jail for 1<sup>st</sup> offense and felony of \$5000-10000 fine and/or 1-5 years state correctional imprisonment</li> <li>Those who conspire with them are guilty of conspiracy to commit willful trespass – penalty is felony of \$5000-10000 fine and/or 1-5 years state correctional imprisonment</li> <li>If damage is caused, person is liable for twice the amount of damage</li> <li>Allows owner to bring injunctive relief against person in circuit court of county where occurred, and court may grant appropriate relief to prevent conduct even without security for issuance</li> </ul>				
WISCONSIN	<a href="#">SB 139</a> 2019 Act 162	Relating to: sexual contact with an animal and providing a penalty.	Effective 3/4/20	Signed into law 3/3/20
Creates Class H felony for sexual contact with animals, Class F felony to force or encourage a child under 13 to do so or to have sexual contact with animals in their presence, and a Class G felony if the child is 13-17 AND increases penalties for subsequent violations				
WISCONSIN	<a href="#">SB 737</a> 2019 Act 178	Relating to: creating a voluntary individual animal identification program and granting rule-making authority	Effective 3/4/20	Signed into law 3/3/20
Requires department to create voluntary individual animal identification program where livestock premises registrants may obtain RFID tags for bovines, goats, sheep, swine, or farm-raised deer AND requires an Internet site that lists retailers				
WYOMING	<a href="#">HB0088</a> Chapter 91	Livestock board investigators.	Effective Immediately	Signed into law 3/13/2020
Increases animal remedies registration fee from \$20 to \$40 with half for general fund and half for livestock board investigators and authorizes paying such investigators				
WYOMING	<a href="#">HB0099</a> Chapter 94	Animal reimbursement program-amendments.	Effective 7/1/2020	Signed into law 3/13/2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Allows owners of animal quarantined for brucellosis to submit claim for reimbursement during quarantine or within 30 days after</li> <li>State vet paying reimbursement shall make sure there is sufficient funds, use any federal funds first, and must limit it to \$25,000 per quarantine effort and stop payments after unfunded balance is less than \$100,000 and may resume when balance is over \$100,000</li> </ul>				

WYOMING	<a href="#">HB0155</a> Chapter 119	Animal shares.	Effective 7/1/2020	Signed into law 3/17/2020
Revises requirements regarding sale of meat under animal shares				
WYOMING	<a href="#">SF0081</a> Chapter 76	Livestock brand administration.	Effective Immediately	Signed into law 3/12/2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Allows board to determine when livestock brands have to be rerecorded and limits rerecording period in 10 year increments up to 100 years</li> <li>• Makes fee not less than \$300 per 10-year period, which is decreased to \$100 per 10-year period if renewal is for more than 50 years</li> </ul>				