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NEW YORK STATE 2022 BILLS IN THE LEGISLATURE

This chart lists important legislation that New York State Humane Association supported or opposed in the 2022 NYS legislative session.

The animals need your help. It is important that you ask your [Senator](#) or [Assembly Member](#) for their support of a bill, especially when it is in a committee they are on or up for vote in Assembly or Senate.

Key Animal Protection Bills that NYSHA is Supporting

Assembly	Senate	Sponsors	Description of 2022 Legislation	Support/ Oppose	Presently
A.173	NSA	Asw. Rosenthal	Bella's Bill - Relates to codifying animal cruelty laws under the penal law ; makes conforming technical changes. Will move animal cruelty laws from Ag & Mkts Law to Penal Law.	Support	A. Codes Com
A.1633	S.197	Asm. Santabarbara Sen. Tedisco	Kirby and Quigley's Law expands felony cruelty to include harm to companion animals during commission of a felony	Support	A. Codes Com S. Agriculture Com.
A.3467	S.4459	Asw. Rosenthal Sen. Addabbo Jr.	Ban leghold traps	Support	A. In Environmental Conservation Com S. Environmental Conservation Com
A.4283	S.1130	Asw. Rosenthal Sen. Gianaris	Prohibits the sale of dogs and 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.	Support	A. Codes Com 5/3/22 - On Senate floor calendar. PLEASE ASK YOUR SENATOR TO VOTE FOR THIS
A.5746	S.6643	Asw. Glick, Sen. Kennedy	Provides that it shall be unlawful for any person to organize, sponsor, conduct, promote, or participate in any contest, competition, tournament or derby where the objective of such contest or competition is to take wildlife .	Support	A Codes S. En Con Com
A.7745	S.7260	Asw. Rosenthal Sen. Salazar	This bill would eliminate certain tax exemptions for horse racing in NYS. Presently there is no sales tax on the sale of racehorses, often very expensive.	Support	A. Ways & Means Com S. Budget & Revenue Com
A.8468A	S.8485	Asw. Rosenthal Sen. Jackson	This legislation will end racing subsidies in NYS and invest the revenue generated from video lottery gaming facilities at racetracks to essential public services, such as education.	Support	A. Ways & Means Com S. Racing, Gaming & Wagering Com

Additional Bills in the NY Legislature that NYSHA is Supporting/Opposing

Assembly	Senate	Sponsors	Description of 2022 Legislation	Support/ Oppose	Presently
NSA	S.4081	S. Hinchey	Relates to the inspection of property that has been vacated for abandoned animals ; requires property owners and lessors to inspect such property within 3 days to immediately notify the appropriate authorities when such person finds an animal which appears to be abandoned.	Support	5/3/22 - On Senate floor calendar, 5/3. PLEASE ASK YOUR SENATOR TO VOTE FOR THIS.
A.135	S.5688	Asw. Paulin Sen. Lanza	Provides for the registration and regulation of pet groomers ; establishes standards of care, training and testing; provides such applicant must be at least 18 years of age. (Sen. Lanza)	Support	A. Economic Development Com In S. Consumer Protection Com
A.142	NSA	Asw. Rosenthal	Relates to prohibiting school districts, school principals, administrators, or teachers from requiring, permitting, or conducting a lesson or experimental study using an animal in a hatching project .	Support	A. Education Com
A.510	S.3039	Asw. Rosenthal Sen. Serino	Relates to orders of protection with respect to companion animals; provides further protection for pets by authorizing the court to order a	Support	A. Judiciary Com S. Children & Families Com

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			party to either relinquish a pet or to refrain from any contact with a pet.		
A.776 A	S.2273	Asw. Paulin Sen. Tedisco	Byron's Law. Requires pet dealers and pet shops to provide certain breeder and health information to purchasers of animals.	Support	A. Agriculture Com S. Agriculture Com.
A.1518	NSA	Asw. Rosenthal	Relates to prohibiting sale, trade or bartering or possession with intent to sell, trade or barter of certain wild animals or wild animal products and to the penalties imposed therefore.	Support	A. En Con com
A.1531	NSA	Asm. Santabarbara	Relates to sentencing for the crime of aggravated cruelty to animals; removes the two year imprisonment cap.	Support	A. Agriculture Com
A.1549	S.5156	Asw. Rosenthal Sen. Brooks	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.	Support	A. Agriculture Com. S. Codes Com.
A.1903	S.3835	Asw. Rosenthal; Sen. Addabbo	An act to amend the Ag & Mkts law, in relation to requiring the installation and testing of fire protection systems at pet stores.	Support	A. Agriculture Com S. Agriculture Com
A.2012	S.1125	Asm. Zebrowski Sen. Gianaris	This bill will outlaw "convenience" devocalization and restrict the invasive surgery for cases where it is medically necessary to treat or relieve an illness or injury.	Support	A. Agriculture Com S. Agriculture Com
A.2124	NSA	Asw. Rosenthal	Prohibits certain acts in rodeos ; imposes penalties for the violations of such acts.	Support	A. Agriculture Com
A.2129	NSA	Asw. Rosenthal	Relates to the care and collection of abandoned animals on vacant property ; requires notification to the appropriate authorities by anyone authorized to be on vacant land where such person finds an animal which based on its physical appearance or lack of available food or water appears abandoned, within six hours of an encounter	Support	A. Codes Com
A.2152	S.960	Asw. Rosenthal Sen. Liz Krueger	An act to amend the Ag & Mkts law, in relation to aggravated cruelty to animals . Removes the term "serious" from the "serious physical injury" language of Sec. 353-a of the Ag & Mkts law.	Support	A. Ag Com Senate – 5/3/22 ON SENATE FLOOR CALENDAR. PLEASE ASK YOUR SENATOR TO VOTE FOR THIS.
A.3216	S.4119	Asw. Rosenthal Sen. Griffo	Relates for lowering the age for universal hunting from 14 years old to 12 years old.	Opposed	Passed in 2021-2022 budget, signed by Governor. A. En Con Com S. En Con Com
A.3493 B	S.2871A	Asw. Rosenthal Sen. Kavanagh	The aim of this act is to eliminate the overuse and misuse of medically important antimicrobials in food-producing animals to reduce the development and spread of antimicrobial resistance and antimicrobial-resistant infections in humans, and to preserve the effectiveness of medically important antimicrobials for future generations.	Support	A. Higher Education Com S. Higher Education Com
A.3892	S.2273	Asw. Paulin Sen. Tedisco	Requires pet dealers and pet shops to provide certain breeder and health information to purchasers of animals.	Support	A. Agriculture Com S. Agriculture Com
A.3968	NSA	Asm. Pretlow	Establishes the commission on retired racehorses , to track them and help them from going to slaughter.	Support	A. Ways and Means Com
A.4611	NSA	Asw. Rosenthal	Prohibits the shipment of certain live animals by postal mail into, within, or to points outside of		A. Agriculture Com

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			the state of NY and provides for a civil penalty.		
A.4986	NSA	Asw. Paulin	An act to amend the Ag & Mkts law, in relation to the posting of security by a person against whom certain criminal charges are pending. Allows for posting application to be filed upon the issuance of an appearance ticket.	Support	A. Agriculture Com
A.5481	S.5875	Asw. Glick Sen. Palumbo	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; and prohibits any person from possessing, importing into or exporting from the state, selling, buying, giving away, holding or accepting any horse with the intent of killing, or having another kill, such horse, if such person knows or should have known that any part of such horse will be used for human consumption; and provides penalties for violation.	Support	A. Agriculture Com S. Agriculture Com.
A.5542	S.4840-B	Asm. Englebright Sen. Biaggi	Relates to prohibiting the issuance of permits authorizing the use of wild animals in circuses ; except an accredited zoo and a wildlife sanctuary.	Support	A. En Con Com. – reported out 2021, Ordered to 3rd reading 1/5/22 S. En Con Com
A.5776	NSA	Asw. Glick	Prohibits the taking of zoo, petting zoo, carnival or circus animals ; provides that violations shall be punishable by a fine of not less than five hundred dollars nor more than two thousand dollars. (Taking = killing, for entertainment in this case.)	Support	A. En Con Com
A.5779	NSA	Asw. Glick	Establishes a tort cause of action for the wrongful injury or death of a companion animal ; provides for compensatory and punitive damages and injunctive relief and three year statute of limitations on commencement of such an action.	Support	A. Judiciary Com.
NSA	S.6027-A	Sen. Brisport	Establishing a tort cause of action and providing for damages and injunctive relief for the wrongful injury or death of a companion animal.		S. Judiciary Com
A.6176	S.1445	Asw. Rosenthal Sen. Addabbo	Prohibits the use of performance-enhancing drugs in horseracing.	Support	A. Racing and Wagering Com S. Racing, Gaming & Wagering Com
A.6523	S.5502	Asm. B Miller Sen. O'Mara	Allows for the taking of Zenaida macroura, commonly known as the mourning dove , as a migratory bird.	OPPOSE	A. En Con Com S. En Con Com
NSA	S.2673	Sen. Ritchie	Relates to aggravated cruelty to animals; removes requirement that a companion animal be killed with aggravated cruelty in order to be guilty of such crime.	Support	S. Agriculture Com.

Passed and Signed Into Law

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A.4154-B	S1442-B	Asm. Pretlow Sen. Addabbo	Relates to the aftercare of retired race horses ; prohibits the slaughter of race horses and race horse breeding stock ; requires that race horses be microchipped; increases access to funding for appropriate care of retired race horses by: (i) ensuring that monies generated by enforcement will be dedicated to the aftercare of retired racehorses; and (ii) allowing NY individuals and corporations to make voluntary contributions dedicated to funding aftercare programs.	Support	Passed Assembly. 6/10/21 Passed Senate 2/3. Signed by Governor Hochul into law, 12/1/2021.

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A.5775	S. 4248	Asw. Glick, Sen. Skoufis	Relates to requiring the best interest of a companion animal to be considered when awarding possession in a divorce.	Support	Passed Assembly. Passed Senate. Signed by Governor Hochul into law, 2021.
A.5823-A	S.5023-A	Asw.. Rosenthal Sen. Gianaris	Requires veterinarians to report suspected animal cruelty to the police, duly incorporated society for the prevention of cruelty to animals, peace officer, district attorney's office, animal control office, department of agriculture and markets, or other appropriate government agency and to turn over necessary records.	Support	Passed Assembly. Passed Senate. Signed by Governor Hochul into law, 2021.
A1303	S5532B	Asw. Rosenthal Sen. Gianaris	Relates to the prohibition of declawing of cats ; makes such violation punishable by a civil penalty not to exceed \$1,000.	Support	Signed into law by Governor in 2019.
A216	S3828	Asw. Paulin Sen. J. Metzger (this Sen. is no longer in office.)	Relates to the care of animals; requires regular diurnal light cycles of either natural or artificial light; requires separate space for pregnant or nursing dogs; requires a certain level of sanitation of primary enclosures and cages; requires sanitary food receptacles; requires grooming.	Support	Signed into law by Governor in 2019.