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State/Bill #	Title	Description	Status	Companion/ Same As/Similar to Bill if	url
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Connecticut CT <http://www.cga.ct.gov/default.asp>

HB 6728	An act concerning minor revisions to animal importer records requirements.	To require the creation and retention of records concerning the adoption of animals from animal importers. Animal importer means a person who brings any dog or cat into CT from any other sovereign entity for the purpose of offering such dog or cat to any person for sale, adoption or transfer in exchange for any fee, sale, voluntary contribution, service or any other consideration (which include any commercial or nonprofit animal rescue or adoption).	3/10 Referred to Office of Legislative Research and Office of Fiscal Analysis 03/16/15.		http://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/cgabillstatus/cgabillstatus.asp?selBillType=Bill&bill_number=HB06728&which_year=2015
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Hawaii HI <http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/>

HB 466	Relating to the cruelty of animals-declawing.	Makes performing or assisting with a surgical claw removal, declawing, onychectomy, or tendonectomy on any domesticated cat a misdemeanor.	2/4 Deferred.		http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/measure_indiv.aspx?billtype=HB&billnumber=466&year=2015
HB 702	Relating to animal licensing and cruelty to animals.	Extends criminal liability to the owner of a dog that has been deprived of sustenance. Requires persons holding a dog license to provide notification if ownership of the dog is transferred. Requires persons holding a dog license to provide microchip information. Potential "and cat" situation.	2/20 referred to JUD.	SB 1301	http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/measure_indiv.aspx?billtype=HB&billnumber=702&year=2015

SB 1301	Relating to animals.	Extends criminal liability to the owner of a dog that has been deprived of sustenance. Requires persons holding a dog license to provide notification if ownership of the dog is transferred. Requires persons holding a dog license to provide microchip information. Potential "and cat" situation.	2/20 H Passed Second Reading as amended in HD 1 and referred to the committee(s) on JUD.	HB 702	http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/measure_indiv.aspx?billtype=SB&billnumber=1301&year=2015
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Illinois IL <http://www.ilga.gov/>

SB108	Amendment to the Animal Welfare Act.	The kennel operator definition is changed. One change is restricting the exception of a person who owns or is in possession of 5 or fewer females capable of reproduction to allowing that exception only if the animals are not kept overnight for a fee or compensation. Proof of zoning compliance would also be required for licensing.	3/5 Licensed Activities and Pensions. Postponed and rescheduled for 3/11.		http://www.ilga.gov/legislation/BillStatus.asp?DocNum=108&GAID=13&DocTypeID=SB&LegId=83989&SessionID=88&GA=99
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Iowa IA <https://www.legis.iowa.gov/>

SF168	An act relating to the regulation of commercial establishments keeping nonagricultural animals, providing for fees and appropriations, and making penalties applicable.	Adds small breeder, competitive show breeder, specialized breeder, animal rescue, and animal sanctuary to the licensing scheme under the commercial establishments for nonagricultural animals. Small, specialized and show breeder is not defined but are subject to restrictions. Additional changes to existing law are made.	3/2 Substituted, see SF 347.		http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/Cool-ICE/default.asp?Category=billinfo&Service=Billbook&menu=false&hbill=sf168
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SF347	An act relating to the regulation of commercial establishments keeping nonagricultural animals, providing for fees and appropriations, and making penalties applicable.	Adds small breeder, competitive show breeder, specialized breeder, animal rescue, and animal sanctuary to the licensing scheme under the commercial establishments for nonagricultural animals. Small, specialized and show breeder is not defined but are subject to restrictions. Additional changes to existing law are made.	3/10 Referred to Ways and Means, Subcommittee, McCoy, Schultz, and Seng.	Substitute for SF 168.	http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/Cool-ICE/default.asp?Category=billinfo&Service=Billbook&menu=false&hbill=SF347
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Kansas KS <http://www.kslegislature.org/li/>

HB 2030	Amendments to the Kansas pet animal act.	Expands Animal breeder premises, adequate veterinary medical care, adds rescue network, impacts pet animal foster home, provides for increased inspections, multiple licenses and license fees changes, changes to advisory board.	3/4 Missed deadline and stricken from Calendar. Died.		http://www.kslegislature.org/li/b2015_16/measures/hb2030/
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Missouri MO <http://www.moga.mo.gov/index.html>

SB 39	Changes to the Animal Care Facilities Act.	This act moves the sections of law known as the "Animal Care Act" (273.325 to 273.357) and "Canine Cruelty Prevention Act" (273.345) to chapter 324, the Occupations and Professions Chapter. The act creates the State Commission of Animal Care Facilities. The Commission shall be under the Division of Professional Registration, and certain duties and responsibilities previously held by the Department of Agriculture shall now be assumed by the Commission. The Commission shall be responsible for the licensure and inspection of certain animal shelters, pounds, boarding kennels, commercial kennels, contract kennels, pet shops, pet dealers, and commercial breeders. This act is substantially similar to SB 646 (2014).	1/15 Second Reading, Referred to S Agriculture, Food Production and Outdoor Resources Committee.	http://www.senate.mo.gov/15info/BTS_Web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=19
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Nebraska NE <http://nebraskalegislature.gov/>

LB360	Amends the Commercial Dog and Cat Operator Inspection Act.	Changes the fees schedule, adds care requirements, and adds that a person or applicant the department has reason to believe is an operator and required to obtain a license shall make their premises available for inspection during normal business hours.	2/17 General Affairs Committee: Hearing Set.	http://nebraskalegislature.gov/bills/view_bill.php?DocumentID=25078
LB 389	Change license and inspection fees under the Commercial Dog and Cat Operator Inspection Act.	Relating to the Commercial Dog and Cat Operator Inspection Act to change license and inspection fees as prescribed; and to repeal the original sections.	2/17 Legislative Agriculture: Notice of hearing.	http://nebraskalegislature.gov/bills/view_bill.php?DocumentID=25268

New Hampshire NH <http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/>

HB 661	Relative to record keeping for sold or transferred animals.	This bill requires licensed animal transferors to keep certain records and submit copies of such records to the director or charitable trusts. (shelters and rescues).	3/3 Retained in Committee for action in 2016.		http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/bill_status/Results.aspx?q=1
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New Jersey NJ <http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/>

A3974	Animal Importer Regulations.	Establishes animal importer registration, and animal grooming facility and animal training facility licenses; establishes requirements for animal importers, animal grooming facilities, and animal training facilities and penalties for certain violations. See also What's Hot article in the January 2015 CFA Newsletter at http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs128/1103584053452/archive/1119767021269.html	Referred to Assembly Regulated Professions Committee.	S2625	http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/bills/BillView.aspx
S2625	Animal Importer Regulations.	Establishes animal importer registration, and animal grooming facility and animal training facility licenses; establishes requirements for animal importers, animal grooming facilities, and animal training facilities and penalties for certain violations.	Referred to Senate Economic Growth Committee.	A3974	http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/bills/BillView.aspx

New York NY <http://assembly.state.ny.us/>

A186	An act to amend the agriculture and markets law, in relation to the care of animals by pet dealers.	Pet Dealer would now include any person who has possession of more than 10 intact female dogs or offers for sale more than 9 animals per year for profit. Removes the exclusion for breeders offers to sell less than 25 animals per year. Adds retail pet store definition. Changes care standards.	1/7 Referred to Agriculture.	S2629	http://assembly.state.ny.us/leg/?default_fld=&bn=A00186&term=2015&Summary=Y&Actions=Y&Votes=Y&Memo=Y&Text=Y
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S2629	Relates to the care of animals by pet dealers; establishes care and breeding standards for pet dealers when dealing with dogs.	Pet Dealer would now include any person who has possession of more than 10 intact female dogs or offers for sale more than 9 animals per year for profit. Removes the exclusion for breeders offers to sell less than 25 animals per year. Adds retail pet store definition. Changes care standards.	1/27 Referred to Agriculture.	A186	http://assembly.state.ny.us/leg/?default_fld=&bn=S02629&term=2015&Summary=Y&Actions=Y&Votes=Y&Memo=Y&Text=Y
A1181	An act to amend the agriculture and markets law and the general business law, in relation to penalties and fees for pet dealers.	To increase the amount of a civil penalties that may be imposed for certain violations pertain to care and sale of dogs and cats in order to obtain compliance with the such laws.	1/08 referred to agriculture.		http://assembly.state.ny.us/leg/?default_fld=&bn=A01181&term=2015&Summary=Y&Actions=Y&Votes=Y&Memo=Y&Text=Y
A1245	An act to amend the agriculture and markets law, in relation to the care of animals by pet dealers.	Changes Pet Dealer to include breeders and removes the sells fewer than 25 animal breeder exemption. Retains the sale of more than 9 animals per year requirement for dealers.	1/08 referred to agriculture.		http://assembly.state.ny.us/leg/?default_fld=%0D%0A&bn=A1245&term=2015&Summary=Y&Actions=Y&Votes=Y&Memo=Y&Text=Y
A1297	An act to amend the agriculture and markets law, in relation to the declawing of cats or other animals.	To prohibit the performance of declawing procedures on cats and other animals except when necessary for a therapeutic purpose.	1/09 referred to agriculture.		http://assembly.state.ny.us/leg/?default_fld=%0D%0A&bn=A01297&term=2015&Summary=Y&Actions=Y&Votes=Y&Memo=Y&Text=Y

A1439	An act to amend the agriculture and markets law, in relation to the care of animals by pet dealers.	Reduces the pet dealer exemption for breeders who sell fewer than 25 animals directly to a consumer per year to 15 animals.	03/10 reported referred to codes		http://assembly.state.ny.us/leg/?default_fld=%0D%0A&bn=A01439&term=2015&Summary=Y&Actions=Y&Votes=Y&Memo=Y&Text=Y
A1624	An act to amend the agriculture and markets law, in relation to recordkeeping by pet dealers.	Requires pet dealers to maintain information on the person from whom each animal was acquired. Requires licensing of pet dealers who engage in the sale of less than 25 animals per year. Changes licensing fees.	1/12 referred to agriculture.		http://assembly.state.ny.us/leg/?default_fld=%0D%0A&bn=A01624&term=2015&Summary=Y&Actions=Y&Votes=Y&Memo=Y&Text=Y
A1679	An act to amend the agriculture and markets law, in relation to restricting the performance of surgical devocalization procedures on dogs and cats.	Devocalization on dogs and cats allowed only when medically necessary.	03/10 reported referred to codes.	Similar to S2965	http://assembly.state.ny.us/leg/?default_fld=%0D%0A&bn=A01679&term=2015&Summary=Y&Memo=Y&Text=Y
S2965	An act to amend the agriculture and markets law, in relation to restricting the performance of surgical devocalization procedures on dogs and cats.	Devocalization allowed only when medically necessary.	1/30 Referred to Agriculture.	Similar to A1679	http://assembly.state.ny.us/leg/?default_fld=%0D%0A&bn=s2965&term=2015&Summary=Y&Actions=Y&Votes=Y&Memo=Y&Text=Y

A1738	An act to amend the agriculture and markets law, in relation to enacting "Charlamagne's law" relating to the provision of food, water and appropriate shelter for companion animals left outdoors.	The purpose of this legislation is to increase penalties on those who fail to provide adequate shelter to any companion animals left outdoors in weather conditions that are likely to adversely affect the animal's health or safety. Such acts would result in a felony conviction, up to two years in prison and \$5,000 fine.	1/12 referred to Agriculture.	S2949	http://assembly.state.ny.us/leg/?default_fld=%0D%0A&bn=A01738&term=2015&Summary=Y&Actions=Y&Votes=Y&Memo=Y&Text=Y
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A3997	An act to amend the agriculture and markets law, in relation to permitting and regulating backyard animal breeding; and to amend the state finance law, in relation to the backyard breeder permit fund.	Backyard Breeder is anyone who is not a pet dealer who breeds a female dog or any animal. Breeding permits required.	1/28 Referred to Agriculture.	http://assembly.state.ny.us/leg/?default_fld=%0D%0A&bn=A03997&term=2015&Summary=Y&Actions=Y&Votes=Y&Memo=Y&Text=Y
S167	An act to amend the agriculture and markets law, in relation to the microchipping of dogs and the creation of a registry of dogs.	Requires the micro-chipping of all dogs; creates a state registry to maintain the identification and contact information on all micro-chipped dogs; provides that such registry shall be available twenty-four hours a day. Potential "and cat" issue.	1/07 Referred to Agriculture.	http://assembly.state.ny.us/leg/?default_fld=%0D%0A&bn=S00167&term=2015&Summary=Y&Actions=Y&Votes=Y&Memo=Y&Text=Y

Oklahoma OK <http://www.oklegislature.gov/index.aspx>

SB 152	Cities and towns; restricting location of commercial pet breeders.	An Act relating to the location of commercial pet breeder operations in municipalities; restricting location of commercial pet breeders near schools and day care facilities; defining term; and providing an effective date.	3/10 referred to H Agriculture and Rural Development.	http://www.oklegislature.gov/BillInfo.aspx?Bill=SB%20152
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Rhode Island RI <http://www.rilin.state.ri.us/pages/legislation.aspx>

SB 204	ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY - PERMIT PROGRAM FOR CATS (Requires owners of cats to have the cat licensed, collared and inoculated or be subject to fines.)	Annual licensing. Collars with owner identification or registration and inoculations required.	3/5 Withdrawn by sponsor.	http://webserver.rilin.state.ri.us/BillText/BillText15/SenateText15/S0204.pdf
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Virginia VA <http://viriniageneralassembly.gov/index.php>

SB 1001	Sale and procurement of certain pets.	Sale and procurement of certain pets. Prohibits the sale or display of a dog or cat on or in a roadside, parking lot, flea market, or similar place and limits the sources of pet shop dogs to humane societies, public animal shelters, and breeders who meet certain qualifications. The bill also establishes a record-keeping requirement for pet shops selling dogs and applies the existing misdemeanor penalty for a violation of the section to each dog sold or offered for sale. Localities are empowered to adopt ordinances more stringent than the provisions of the bill.	2/25 Has now passed both House and Senate	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?ses=151&typ=bil&val=sb1001
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