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Bill # D	escription	Actions	AFA Action	Notes
SB 14 Pro elimin state mor federa	nds Administrative ocedures Act to nate prohibition on e regulations being re stringent than ral; Sen. McCann + 1.3 co-sponsors	1/17/2023 introduced, referred to Energy and Environment, sponsor is Chair, 5 co-sponsors are members; 4/25, reported favorably without amendment; 5/17 passed Senate 20-18. House: 5/17 received, referred to Natural Resources; 6/22 reported favorably without amendment 4-3; 6/28 passed House 56-52 (2 not voting); given immediate effect; 7/17 presented to Governor; 7/26 signed by Governor; PA104 '23	Support	ENACTED INTO LAW AS PA 104'23

<u>SB 17</u>	Increases days that local governments can regulate fireworks; increases penalties; Sen. Wojno + 10 co-sponsors	1/17/2023 introduced, referred to Local Government, sponsor is Majority Vice Chair, co- sponsor is Chair, 2 co-sponsors are members	Support	Impact on birds, https://www.treehugger.com/fir eworks-have-long-lasting-impact- on-wild-birds-7089635; other wildlife, https://benitolink.com/fireworks- can-have-devastating-effects-on- wildlife/; and companion animals
<u>HB 4067</u>	Care for Retired Police Dogs Program Act establishes program to be administered by nonprofits; Rep. Paiz + 14 co-sponsors (bipartisan)	2/2/2023 introduced, referred to Criminal Justice, 1 co-sponsor is Chair, 2 are members	Support	
HB 4135	Prohibits NRC from issuing order requiring hunters to report harvest of game; Rep. Friske + 2 co-sponsors	2/22/23 introduced, referred to Natural Resources	Oppose	
SBs 103 ENACTED INTO LAW AS PA 220'23, 104, 105	Regulates sport fishing guides, commercial hunting guides; give NRC exclusive authority to regulate sport fishing. Sen. Cherry + 2 co- sponsors (bipartisan)	3/1/2023 introduced, referred to Natural Resources and Agriculture; 5/25 reported favorably without amendment and with immediate effect; 6/8 Passed Senate 25-13. House: 6/8 received, referred to Natural; Resources; 9/28 reported with recommendation (103 with amendment; 104, 105 without amendment); 10/5 all placed on order of third reading; 10/12, 103 read a third time, postponed for day; 11/8: passed; given immediate effect, 61-48 (1 not voting), returned to Senate. 11/9 HOUSE AMENDMENT(S) CONCURRED IN 24-13 (1 not voting), IMMEDIATE EFFECT DEFEATED; 11/21 presemted to Governor; 11/22 all signed by the Governor, ENACTED INTO LAW AS PAS 220'23, 221'23, and 222'23	Support; AFA supported last session HBs 4858, 59, 60 and testified in support at committee hearings; 9/21, submitted card in support	SB 105 ENACTED INTO LAW AS <u>PA 222'23</u>

SBs 148 ENACTED INTO LAW AS PA 314'23, 149	Teddy's Law requires animal research facilities to provide records to MDARD; release dogs and cats to MI shelters for adoption once research completed; Sen. Polehanki + 9 cosponsors (148), Sen. Hertel + 10 co-sponsors (149). House: Rep. Paiz + 8 co-sponsors (4277), Rep. Paiz + 8 cosponsors (4278)	3/7/2023 introduced, referred to Natural Resources and Agriculture; 6/6 hearing, no vote; 6/13 reported favorably without amendment; 6/28, 148: S-1 adopted; passed Senate 27-10 (1 excused); 149: S-1 adopted; passed Senate 31-6 (1 excused). House: 3/14/2023 introduced, referred to Regulatory Reform; 1 co-sponsor is Majority Vice Chair, 2 are members; 5/16, originally on agenda for this committee meeting but not heard; 6/28 SBs 148, 149 received, referred to Agriculture; 10/4, 148 reported with recommendation, without amendment, 149 with recommendation, with H-2 amendment; 10/5 placed on order of second reading; 11/9, 148: H-3 amendment adopted, passed House 63-43 (4 not voting); 149 H-2 amendment adopted, passed House 67-39 (4 not voting), with immediate effect, with immediate effect; returned to Senate, 148 H-3, 149 H-4 concurred in 25-11 (2 excused); 12/6 presented to Governor; 12/13 signed by Governor, assigned PAs 314 '23 and 315 '23; 2/6/2024 ceremonial bill signing with Governor, Teddy	Support, testified at 6/6 hearing; AFA supported similar bills last session; calling on legislature to reinstate original bill language; 9/27 submitted card in support	SB 149ENACTED INTO LAW AS PA 315'23; the laws require dogs and cats to be offered for adoption, and narrow the reporting requirements from the bills as introduced, to an attestation of compliance
<u>SB 248</u>	Expands eligibility for courtroom support dogs from age 16 to age 18; Sen. Lauwers + 4 cosponsors (bipartisan)	4/11/2023 introduced, referred to Civil Rights, Judiciary and Public Safety, Chair, 2 co-sponsors are members; 6/13 reported with S-1; 6/14 S-1 passed Senate 38-0. House: 6/14 received, referred to Judiciary; 10/10 Bill Analysis filed; 10/11 reported with recommendation with sub H-1, placed on second reading; 6/18/2024 sub H-1 adopted, placed on third reading	Support; AFA supported original bill	<u>Sub H-1</u>

SB 275 / HB 5083	Part of clean energy bill package, but includes CAFO-derived manure biogas to be converted to fuel, thereby increasing revenue for industrial ag and likely leading to more CAFOs in the state to taek advantage of the program; Sen. Singh + 14 co-sponsors. HB 5083 Rep. Andrews + 12 co-sponsors	4/19/2023 introduced, referred to Energy and Environment, sponsor and 5 co-sponsors are members; 6/21/Bill Analysis filed; 6/22 Committee hearing agenda included 6 bills in package but not 275; House 10/3/2023 introduced, referred to Government Operations, 1 co-sponsor is member	Oppose	More information here; AFA part of Sierra Club Lobby Day and met with 5 legislators to talk about opposition to bill, 5/15/2024
<u>HB 4462</u>	Directs Agriculture Commission to develop guidelines (GAAMPs) to raise chickens in residential environments; Rep. DeSana + 2 co-sponsors	4/25/2023 introduced, referred to Agriculture	Support	

<u>HB 4506</u> -09	Creates separate Upper Peninsula Natural Resources Commission with authority over fish and game in UP; Rep. Markannen + 2 co- sponsors	5/4/2023 introduced, referred to Natural Resources	Oppose (AFA opposed similar bill last session)	
<u>НВ 4674</u> /НВ 4883	Prohibits cat declawing by individuals (4883) and by licensees under the public health law (4674) except for therapeutic reasons; provides penalties (4883); Rep. Wilson + 13 cosponsors (4674); Rep. Wilson + 8 cosponsors (4883)	4674: 5/25/2023 introduced, referred to Agriculture; 1 co-sponsor is member 4883: 6/28/2023 introduced, referred to Agriculture; 1 co-sponsor is member; 6/25/2024, discharged from Agriculture Committee, re-assigned to Government Operations (both bills) Recent article with stats about vet professionals opposition to declawing	Support AFA supported similar bills in past sessions US statistics by state	<u>HB 4883</u>

<u>HB 4838</u>	Puppy Protection Act prohibits pet shops from selling, adopting, exchanging, or transfering a dog, cat, or rabbit but may collaborate with an animal control or protection shelter to showcase adoptable dogs, cats, or rabbits; Rep. Tsernoglou + 31 co-sponsors	6/22/2023 introduced, referred to Government Operations, co-sponsor is Majority Vice Chair, 1 is member; 5/22/2024 committee hearing, testimony taken, no vote	Support, submitted testimony at 5/22 hearing	House TV video of 5/22 Government Operations Committee hearing (begins ~3.33)
<u>HB 4849</u>	Queenie's Law would amend to Public Health Code to prohibit conducting research or training activities on cats or dogs in a manner that causes pain or distress; Rep. Koleczar + 10 co- sponsors	, , , , ,	Support AFA supported similar bill last session	AFA testimony 1/24/2024 4/25/2024: rally at State Capitol to support bill; 5/19/2024 full-page ad in Detroit Free Press "Speaker Tate, Michigan Dogs Need Your Help" and urging people to call and ask him to bring the bill forward for a vote

<u>HB 4855</u> , 4856	Part of Michigan Indigenous Culture and Heritage Package adds members to Wolf Management Advisory Council (4855) and Wildlife Council (4856) to represent tribal voices and other perspectives; Rep. Ayish + 27 co-sponsors (4855), Rep. Mentzer + 26 co-sponsors (4856)	6/27/2023 introduced, referred to Natural Resources, Chair and 1 co-sponsor are members (both bills)	Support AFA supported similar bills last session Native News Online article	<u>4856</u>
<u>SB 411</u> 414	Amends various statutes to promote, finance and prop up state's horseracing industry, including Horseracing Law of 1995 (411, 414), Lawful Inernet Gaming and Sports Betting Acts (412, 413), through the agriculture equine industry development fund. All bills tie-barred; Sen's. Lauwer (411) + 4 cosponsors ; Hertel + 4 cosponsors (412); Cherry +3 cosponsors (413) + 4 cosponsors (414); all bipartisan	6/27/2023 introduced, referred to Natural Resources and Agriculture, Majority and Minority Vice Chairs and a member are sponsors or co-sponsors of all; 10/10, analysis filed, testimony taken, no vote, AFA testified at Committee hearing	Oppose SB 396-399 last session; AFA opposed and testified in opposition	

HB 5039-5041	Creates new laws that would prevent counties, townships, cities from enacting/enforcing ordinance, policy, resolution, or rule that regulates a dog based upon breed; Rep.'s Tsernoglou, Aragona, Paiz + 15, 16, 15 (respectively) cosponsors (bi-partisan)	9/26/2023 introduced, referred to Agriculture; 1 sponsor is Majority Vice Chair, 2 are members	Support AFA has supported anti-BSL bills in past sessions <u>HB</u> <u>5040</u>	<u>HB 5041</u>
<u>HB 5079</u>	Would permit ambulance services to transport retired police K9s to medical facilities; Rep. Hoadley + 19 co- sponsors (bi-partisan)	10/3/2023 introduced, referred to Insurance and Financial Security; 1 sponsor is Majority Vice Chair, 3 are members	10/3/2023 introduced, referred to Insurance and Financial Security; 1 sponsor is Majority Vice Chair, 3 are members	
<u>SB 657</u> , 658	Provides restitution for care and treatment of certain forfeited animals and imposes penalties upon owner; imposes penalties on owner convicted of crimes against animal; Sen's. Polehanki, Wojno	11/9/2023 introduced, referred to Judiciary; 1 sponsor on committee; 2/15/2024 hearing, testimony to be continued, AFA submitted card in support; 3/5 reported favorably without amendment, 5 - 0, referred to committee of whole; 6/12 reported by committee of whole with S-1; 6/18, both passed Senate with substitutes S-1 [657 passed 27 - 10 (1 not voting), 658 passed 28-11]. House: 6/18 received, referred to Agriculture; 6/20 referred to Criminal Justice	Support AFA has supported bond/forfeiture bills in past sessions	SB 658 S-1

SB 683, 684	Revises existing dangerous dog law, as part of dangerous animal law; Sen. McCann + 1 co- sponsor	1/11/2024, introduced; referred to Natural Resources and Agriculture, co-sponsor is committee chair; 2/21 hearing held, testimony taken, no vote; 2/28 analysis filed 683 S-1	Support	<u>SB 684</u>
<u>HB 5525</u>	Noneconomic damages for service dog harm, injury, death; Rep. Paiz + 3 co-sponsors	2/27/2024 introduced, referred to Regulatory Reform; 2/28 rereferred to Judiciary, one cosponsor is Majority Vice Chair; 5/22 committee hearing, testimony taken, no vote; House TV video of 5/22 Judiciary Committee hearing (begins ~6.30)	Support, submitted testimony and testified at 5/22 hearing Rep. Paiz discussed this bill on June 8 Lunch + Legislation	Part of bill package to revise existing lawi penalizing harm to "dog guides" used by blind individuals who use travel aids (5404 and 5405) and allow civil suits for injury or death to service animals in addition to current criminal penalties (5525) SENATE: SBs 564, 565, 866
SB 782, 783	Would require CPS employees to report child abuse/neglect to ACOs, and provides criminal penalties; Sen. Shink + 3 co-sponsors	3/13/2024 introduced, referred to Civil Rights, Judiciary, and Public Safety, sponsor is Majority Vice Chair, one co-sponsor is Majority Chair	In review	<u>SB 783</u>

HB 5587 through 5593	Bill package to revise the Sentencing Guidelines to better reflect the harm to animals by criminal acts; Rep. Young + 20 cosponsors, Rep. Paiz + 21 co-sponsors,	testimony taken, no vote House TV video of 5/21 Criminal Justice Committee hearing (begins ~3.40); 6/4 reported with recommendation and without	Support, submitted testimony and testified at 5/21 hearing	Rep. Aragona + 16 co- sponsors, Rep. Tsernoglou + 20 co-sponsors, Rep. McFall + 20 co-sponsors, Rep. Carter + 19 co-sponsors, Rep. Outman + 17 co-sponsors 5589 H-1
H Res 233	Resolution calling on USFWS to allow Michigan to engage in the scientific management of gray wolves; Rep. Prestin + 1 co-sponsor	4/24/2024 introduced, referred to Government Operations	Oppose	NOTE: corrected from May Tracker which linked to incorrect resolution
<u>HB 5719</u>	Would modify NRC meetings to allow virtual participation; Rep. Martin + 5 co-sponsors	5/9/2024 introduced, referrd to Natural Resources; sponsor is Minority Chair, 1 co- sponsor is member	In review	

<u>HB 5721</u>	Would provide for year- round coyote hunting season; provide for. Amends sec. 43531 ofRep. Markkanen + 19 co- sponsors	5/9/2024 introduced, referred to Government Operations	Oppose	In response to March 2024 NRC vote to reduce year-round season to 9 months, so no hunting during denning season
<u>HB 5824</u>	Would prohibit DNR from spending funds to manage wolves until they have been removed from the federal list of endangered species and the NRC has established a wolf hunting season for public harvest of wolves; Rep. Prestin + 1 co-sponsor	6/20/2024 introduced, referred to Agriculture	In review	
<u>HJR U</u>	Joint Resolution proposing constitutional amendment be presented to voters to recognize a right to hunt, fish, trap, and harvest wildlife; Rep. DeSana + 14 co-sponsors	6/27/2024 introduced, referred to Natural Resources, 1 co-sponsor is member	In review	

HBs <u>5875</u> - 5877	Bill package would revise animal crimes law (5875); and put on the 2024 measures to amend the forfeiture law (5876) and create animal abuse registry (5877), if passed by voters; Rep. Martus	6/27/2024 introduced, referred to Criminal Justice	In review	
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H.R. 200	"FIR Act" would specify neither Agriculture nor Interior Departments may be required to reinitiate consultation on land management plan when a species is listed as threatened or endangered, critical habitat is designated, or new information becomes available; Rep. Rosendale (R-MT)	1/9/2023 introduced, referred to: Agriculture, Natural Resources; 2/13 referred to Agriculture Subcmommittee on Forestry; 2/21 referred to Natural Resources Subcommittees on Water, Wildlife, Fisheries and Federal Lands; 3/23, Subcommittee on Federal Lands hearings held; 5/17 Committee hearings held, substitute ordered reported, 22-17	Oppose	5 co-sponsors (none MI); 5-R
H.R. 208	Pet Safety and Protection Act would amend AWA to ensure that all dogs and cats used by research facilites are obtained legally; Rep. Smith (R-NJ) + 3 original co-sponsors	1/9/2023 introduced, referred to Agriculture	Support; see <u>H.R. 3157</u> last session, AFA supported	31 co-sponsors including Rep. Slotkin; 22-D; 9-R

H.R. 243	Emergency Disaster and Preparedness Act would require producers to develop disaster preparedness plans for animals in agriculture that include adverse weather plans to be eligible for payments and loans due to adverse weather under certain federal programs; Rep. Cohen (D-TN) + 5 original co-sponsors	1/10/2023 introduced, referred to Agriculture	Support	20 co-sponsors, including Rep. Tlaib; 20-D
<u>H.R. 726</u>	Vets for Mustangs would require sterilization program for wild horses and burros and programs to include veterans in range managemet; Lisa McClain (R-MI) + 13 original co-sponsors	2/1/2023 introduced, referred to Natural Resources; 2/21 referred to Subcommittee on Federal Lands	Oppose	31 co-sponsors including Rep's. Moolenaar, Scholten; 17-D; 14- R
H.R. 764	Trust the Science Act would de-list wolves with no judicial review allowed; Rep. Boebert (R- CO) + 22 original co- sponsors	2/2/2023 introduced, referred to Natural Resources; 2/21 referred to Subcommittee on Water, Wildlife, and Fisheries; 3/23 Subcommittee hearings held; 4/27 subcommittee hearings held; 4/28 ordered to be reported 21-16; 9/20 reported by Committee H. Rept. 118-206, placed on Union Calendar; 4/30/2024, debate and passed 209-204 (15 not voting), Roll Call 169 5/1 Received in Senate	Oppose AFA opposed <u>H.R.</u> 7766 last session	25 co-sponsors including Rep's. Bergman, Moolenaar; 25-R H. Rept. 118-206

<u>S. 270</u> /H.R. 798	Protecting America's Meatpacking Workers Act would expand protections, ensure safer line speeds and inspections, require OSHA standards to prevent occupational injuries and exposure to COVID-19, and end policies that punish workers for getting sick; Sen. Booker (D-NJ) + 5 original co- sponsors. House: Rep. Khanna (D-CA) + 5 original co- sponsors	2/2/2023 introduced (Senate and House); Senate, 2/2 referred to Agriculture. House: 2/2, referred to: Agriculture, Education and the Workforce, Oversight and Accountability, House Administration, and Judiciary; 2/21 referred to Agriculture Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry Union of Concerned Scientist Statement	Support	7 co-sponsors (none MI); 6-D; 1- I. <u>H.R. 798</u> 28 co-sponsors (none MI); 28-D
<u>S. 271</u> /H.R. 797	Farm System Reform Act would place moratorium on large concentrated animal feeding operations (CAFOs); Sen. Booker (D- NJ) + 2 original co- sponsors. House: Rep. Khanna + 18 original co- sponsors	2/2/2023 introduced (both Senate and House) Senate 2/2, referred to Agriculture House: 2/2 introduced, referred to: Agriculture, Transportation and Infrastructure; 2/3 referred to Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment; 3/6 referred to Agriculture Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry	Support; introduced last 2 sessions, AFA supported both, see <u>S. 2332</u> last session	4 co-sponsors; (none MI); 3-D; 1-I. <u>H.R.797</u> 38 co- sponsors including Rep. Tlaib; 38-D
<u>S. 272</u> /H.R. 805	Industrial Agriculture Accountability Act would establish Agriculture Department Office of High- Risk Disaster Mitigation and Enforcement; Sen. Booker (D-NJ) + 2 original co- sponsors. House: Rep. McGovern (D-MA) + 6 original co-sponsors	2/2/2023 introduced, referred to Agriculture. House 2/2/2023 introduced, referred to: Agriculture, Transportation and Infrastructure, and Education and the Workforce; 2/3 referred to Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management; 3/6 referred to Agriculture Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry	Support Note: introduced last session, AFA supported Sponsor Press Release re bill package	2 co-sponsors (none MI); 2-D. <u>H.R. 805</u> 15 co-sponsors, including Rep. Tlaib; 15-D

H.J. Res. 29, H.J. Res. 46, and 49	Resolutions that would overturn agency decisions related to the Endangered Species Act using the Congressional Review Act; Rep. Mann (R-KS) + 8 original co-sponsors; Bentz (R-OR) + 9 original co-sponsors; Stauber (R-MN) + 9 original co-sponsors	Introduced 2/7/2023 (29); 3/30/2023 (46, 49); 29 would nullify listing of the lesser prairie-chicken under Endangered Species Act; 46 would nullify decision to expand habitat that the Endangered Species Act can protect for the benefit of species facing extinction; 49 would nullify listing the northern long-eared bat under the Endangered Species Act; 4/27 all had committee hearings; 4/28 all ordered to be reported 16-12, 17-12, 17-12; 7/27 SJR 9 passed House 221-206; SJR 24 passed House 220-209	Oppose All brought under Congressional Review Act which essentially voids agency rules and prohibits similar agency action in future without future Congressional act. Article	H.J.Res. 29, 9 co-sponsors (none MI); 9-R H.J. Res. 46, 12- co-sponsors (none MI); 12-R H.J. Res. 49, 12 co-sponsors (none MI); 12-R
S.J. Res. 9, 23 and 24	Resolutions that would overturn agency decisions related to the Endangered Species Act using the Congressional Review Act; Sen's. Marshall (R-KS) + 3 original co-sponsors; SJR 23, Lummis (R-WY) + 17 original co-sponsors; SJR 24, Mullin (R-OK) + 10 original co-sponsors	Introduced 2/7/2023 (9); 3/30/2023 (23, 24), see HJR above for details; referred to Environment and Public Works; 5/10 all had committee hearings and ordered reported; 5/11 all passed Senate; 7/27, S.J.Res. 9 passed House 221 - 206; S.J.Res. 24 passed House, 220 - 209; 9/14 S.J.Res. 9 (lesser prairie chicken) and 24 (long-eared bat) presented to President; 9/26, President vetoed both; 9/28, Senate failed to override veto, 48 - 47	Oppose All brought under Congressional Review Act which essentially voids agency rules and prohibits similar agency action in future without future Congressional act. Article	S.J. Res. 9, 5 co-sponsors (none MI); 5-R S.J. Res. 23, 20-co-sponsors (none MI); 20-R S.J.Res. 24, 14 co-sponsors (none MI); 13-R; 1-D
<u>S. 346</u>	Meat and Poultry Special Investigator Act would create office within USDA to investigate and prosecute violations of Packers and Stockyards Act by packers and live poultry dealers; Sen. Tester (D-MT) + 10 original co-sponsors	2/9/2023 introduced, referred to Agriculture; 5/2/2024, hearing by Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs committee	Support	10 co-sponsors including Sen. Stabenow; 6-D, 4-R

<u>S. 445</u> /H.R. 1245	Grizzly Bear State Management Act would direct Interior Department to remove <u>Greater</u> Yellowstone ecosystem population of grizzly bears from list of endangered and threatened wildlife, and rule not subject to judicial review. Sen. Lummis (R-WY) + 4 original co-sponsors. House: Rep. Hageman (R- WY) + 2 original co- sponsors	2/15/2023 introduced, referred to Environment and Public Works. House: 2/28/2023 introduced, referred to Natural Resources; 3/22 referred to Subcommittee on Water, Wildlife, and Fisheries; 3/23 Subcommittee hearings held; 4/27 committee hearings held; 4/28 ordered to be reported, 21-17	Oppose see H.R. 1419 below; difference is geographic area to be covered	4 co-sponsors (none MI); 4-R. <u>H.R. 1245</u> ; 4 co-sponsors (none MI); 4-R
H.R. 1142	Would amend Endangered Species Act to require consideration of economic impact in making listing decisions; Rep. Pfluger (R-TX) + 2 original co-sponsors	Resources; 3/22 referred to Subcommittee on	Oppose	4 co-sponsors (none MI); 4-R

<u>S. 557</u> / H.R. 1249	Opportunities for Fairness in Farming (OFF) Act would restrict funds from existing checkoff programs to be used for lobbying; Sen. Lee (R-UT) + 4 original co-sponsors. House: Rep. Mace (R-SC) + 1 original co-sponsor	2/28/2023 introduced (both Senate and House); Senate 2/28, referred to Agriculture. House: 2/28, referred to Agriculture	Support AFA joined <u>letter supporting</u> dated 5/29/2023	5 co-sponsors (none MI); 4-D; 1-R. <u>H.R. 1249</u> 17 co-sponsors (none MI); 13-D; 4-R
<u>S. 658</u>	Environmental Quality Incentive Program Improvement (EQIP) Act would restructure program to provide funding for more farmers, ranchers and for the most effective conservation programs; Sen. Booker (D-NJ) + 1 original co- sponsor	3/6/2023 introduced, referred to Agriculture	Support <u>Summary</u>	2 co-sponsors (none MI); 1-D; 1-R

H.R. 1419	Comprehensive Grizzly Bear Management would direct Interior Secretary to issue new rule removing Northern Continental Divide Ecosystem population of grizzly bears from the ESA protections, and rule not subject to judicial review; Rep. Rosendale, Sr. (R-WY) + 2 original co-sponsors	3/7/2023 introduced, referred to Natural Resources; 3/22 referred to Subcommitte on Water, Wildlife, and Fisheries; 3/23 Subcommittee hearings held; 4/27 committee hearings held; 4/28 ordered to be reported 22- 17	Oppose <i>see</i> S. 445 above	3 co-sponsors (none MI); 3-R
<u>S. 707</u> /H.R. 1465	AFTER Act, Violet's Law, would allow dogs, cats, primates, rabbits, and other animals to be retired and re-homed when no longer needed for research in federal labs; Sen. Collins (R-ME) + 1 original co-sponsor. House: Rep. Mace (R-SC) + 37 original co-sponsors	3/8/2023 introduced, referred to Agriculture; Sponsor's Remarks on Introduction. House: 3/8/2023 introduced, referred to Agriculture; 4/4 referred to Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry	Support, see <u>S. 1378</u> last session, AFA supported	20 co-sponsors including Sen. Peters; 19-D; 1-I. 1465: 95 co-sponsors including Reps. Slotkin, Stevens, Tlaib, Kildee, Scholten, James; 73-D; 22-R
<u>S. 771</u>	Would prohibit non- native species from being listed as endangered or threatened; Sen. Cruz (R- TX)	3/9/23 introduced, referred to Environment	Oppose	no co-sponsors

H.R. 1624	Puppy Protection Act would amend AWA to strengthen regulation of commercial dog breeders; Rep. Fitzpatrick (R-PA) + 3 original co-sponsors	3/17/2023 introduced, referred to Agriculture; 4/17 referred to Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry	Support; see H.R. 2840 of 2021, AFA supported	228 co-sponsors including Rep's. Kildee, Scholten, Slotkin, Stevens, Dingell, Tlaib, Thanedar; 199-D; 29-R
H.R. 1788/S. 4033	Goldie's Act would amend the AWA to require USDA to conduct more frequent and meaningful inspections, provide lifesaving intervention for suffering animals, issue penalties for violations, and communicate with local law enforcement; Rep. Malliotakis (R-NY) + 5 original co-sponsors Senate: Sen. Blumenthal (D-CT) + 1 original co-sponsor	3/24/2023 introduced, referred to Agriculture; 4/25 referred to Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry Senate 3/21/2024 introduced, referred to Agriculture Committee S. 4033	Support; see H.R. 6100 of 2021, AFA supported	111 co-sponsors including Rep's. Slotkin, Thanedar, Scholten, Dingell, Tlaib; 90-D; 21-R. Senate: 1 co-sponsor (none MI) 1-R Senate Sponsor Press Release

H.R. 1824	Food and Farm Bill would reform the safety net for farmers and ranchers, enhance soil, water, and habitat conservation, encourage beginning farmers and ranchers, strengthen nutrition for Americans, support agriculture research and innovation, reduce food waste, improve animal welfare, and invest in regional food systems; Rep. Blumenauer (D-OR) + 0 original co-sponsors	3/28/2023 introduced, referred to: Agriculture, Ways and Means, Education and the	Support Food Politics Blog	5 co-sponsors (none MI); 5-D Information, press release from sponsor
<u>S. 1149</u>	Recovering America's Wildlife Act	3/31/2023 introduced, referred to Environment and Public Works	In review; past session supported with recommended changes	19 co-sponsors including Sen. Stabenow; 10-R; 7-D; 2-I Sponsor's press release

H.R. 2560	Sea Turtle Rescue Assistance and Rehabilitation Act would require NOAA to establish Grant Program to encourage, facilitate coordinated rapid response, rescue of stranded marine turtles; Rep. Keating (D-MA) + no original co-sponsors	4/10/2023 introduced, referred to Natural Resources; 5/8 referred to Subcommittee on Water, Wildlife, and Fisheries; 10/25, 26 Committee discharged Subcommittee, considered and ordered amended bill discharged by unanimous consent, 4/2/2024 Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Natural Resources/ 4/11 placed on Union Calendar, considered under Suspension of Rules, debated, voted by ayes and nays and passed with 2/3 majority, Roll Call 111. Senate: 4/15, received in Senate	Support	13 co-sponsors (none MI); 7-R; 6-D
H.R. 2742 /S. 1529	Fighting Inhumane Gambling and High-Risk Trafficking (FIGHT) Act would amend AWA to enhance enforcement against dogand cock-fighting, allow for citizen suits, ban on-line gambling, forbid use of the mail to ship adults; Rep.'s Bacon (R-NE) and Salinas (D-OR) + 19 original cosponsors. Senate: Sen. Booker + no original cosponsors	4/20/2023 introduced, referred to Agriculture, Oversight and Sustainability; 5/15 referred to Agriculture Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry. Senate: 5/10/2023 introduced Senate Sponsor press release	Support AFA supported in past session	122 co-sponsors including Rep. Thanedar, Bergman, Slotkin, McLain; 70-D; 52-R. S. 1529 16 co-sponsors (none MI); 12-D; 3-R; 1-I

H.R. 2878	Companion Animal Release Act would require as condition of receiving NIH funding, entities establish adoption policies for dogs, cats, rabbits after research; limits liability related to the adoptions under certain conditions; Rep. Cardenes (D-CA) + 4 original co- sponsors	5/3/2023 introduced, referred to Energy and	Support AFA supported last session	15 co-sponsors including Rep. Scholten; 9-D; 6-R
H.R. 2939	PIGS Act would amend Animal Welfare Act to prohibit confinement of pigs in gestation crates; Rep. Escobar (D-TX) + 3 original co-sponsors	4/27/2023 introduced, referred to Agriculture Committee; 6/1 referred to Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry	Support AFA supported last session	7 co-sponsors including Rep. Tlaib (7-D)

H.R. 3090	The Prevent All Soring Tactics Act would amend Horse Protection Act to make soring unlawful and improve USDA enforcement of the Act; Rep. Fitzpatrick (R-PA) + 185 original co-sponsors	5/5/2023 introduced, referred to Energy and Commerce Article	Support AFA supported in past sessions	242 co-sponsors including Rep's. Dingell, McClain, Thanedar, Tlaib, Slotkin, Scholten, Kildee, Stevens; 203- D; 39-R
H.R. 3494	Extinction Prevention Act would create dedicated funds to conserve butterflies in North America, plants in the Pacific Islands, freshwater mussels in the US, and desert fish in the SW US; Rep. Grijalva (D-AZ) + 9 original co-sponsors	5/18/2023 introduced, referred to Natural Resources	Support AFA supported H.R. 3396 last session	17 co-sponsors, including Rep's. Dingell, Scholten, Tlaib; 17-D Sponsor press release
H.R. 3781	Federal Bird Safe Buildings Act would direct GSA to incorporate practices and strategies to reduce bird fatality from collisions with public buildings; Rep. Griffith (R-VA) + 1 original co-sponsor	6/1/2023 introduced, referred to Transportation and Infrastrucutre; 6/2 referred to Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management.	Support Sponsor Press Release; AFA supported last session	22 co-sponsors (none MI); 21- D; 2-R <u>Article</u>

H.R. 3783	MINK Virus Act would prohibit farming of minks for fur after one-year phase out, create grant program to reimburse mink farmers to help with transition out of the industry and set guidelines for humanely euthanizing minks; Rep. Espaillat (D-NY)	6/1/2023 introduced, referred to Agriculture and to Budget; 7/10 referred to Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, Poultry	Support AFA supported <u>similar bill last</u> <u>session</u> which did not actually prohibit mink farming; see H.R.	8 co-sponsors (none MI); 5-D; 3- R
H.R. 3859	Animal Welfare Enforcement Improvement Act would close loopholes in USDA licensing proces; Rep. Krishnamoorthi (D-IL) + 1 original co-sponsor	6/6/2023 introduced, referred to Agriculture; 7/28 referred to Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry	Support <u>Article</u>	32 co-sponsors (none MI); 30- D; 2-R
H.R. 3894	Would amend AWA to prohibit commercial greyhound racing, live lure training, open field coursing; Rep. Carbajal (D-CA) + 5 original co- sponsors	6/7/2023 introduced; referred to Agriculture; 7/28 referred to Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry	Support	56 co-sponsors including Rep. Slotkin; 32-R; 24-D [Note: up from 47 on 052724]
H.R. 3957	Providing for Unnoused People with Pets (PUPP) Act would establish grant program authorizing USDA to provide funding for shelters to retrofit their facilities to better accommodate unhoused people and their pets; Rep.	6/9/2023 introduced, referred to Agriculture and to Financial Services; 7/28 referred to Agriculture Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry	Support see H.R. 8074 of 2022, AFA supported	18 co-sponsors (none MI); 14- D; 4-R

H.R. 3989	Pets Belong With Families Act would prohibit public housing agencies from imposing breed restrictions on household pets owned by public housing residents; Rep. Schiff (D- CA) + 2 original co- sponsors	6/9/2023 introduced, referred to Financial Services	Support see <u>H.R. 5828 of 2021</u> , AFA supported	42 co-sponsors, including Rep. Tlaib; 40-D; 2-R Sponsor press release
<u>S. 1940</u> /H.R. 4068	Canyon's Law would ban the use of wildlife-killing M-44 devices ("cyanide bombs") on federal public lands; Sen. Merkley (D-OR) + 5 original co-sponsors. House: Rep. Huffman (D-CA) + 7 original co-sponsors	6/13/2023 introduced (both House and Senate). Senate, 6/13 referred to Environment and Public Works. House, 6/13 referred to Natural Resources, and to Agriculture; 7/28 referred to Agriculture Subcommittees on Forestry and Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry	Support <u>S. 4584</u> and H.R. 4951 in last session; AFA supported	Senate: 7 co-sponsors (none MI); 6-D; 1-I. House: 20 co-sponsors including Rep. Tlaib; 20-D Article

<u>S. 2019</u> /H.R. 4417	Ending Agricultural Trade Suppression (EATS) Act would prohibit state or local governments from regulating "preharvest product of any agricultural product" sold in interstate commerce that is addition to the standards of the state where production occurs; Sen. Marshall (R-KS) + 9 original co-sponsors. House: Rep. Hinson (R-IA) + 15 original co-sponsors	6/15/2023 introduced, referred to Agriculture. House: 6/30/2023 introduced, referred to Agriculture and to Judiciary; 5/xs/2024 asopted inpart by House Ag Committee in its draft Farm Bill H.R. 4417	Oppose Harvard Animal Law & Policy Program White Paper opposing	14 co-sponsors (none MI); 14- R. House: 37 co-sponsors
<u>S 2037</u>	Save America's Forgotten Equines (SAFE) Act would prohibit slaughter of equines for human food; Sen. Menendez (D-NJ) + 9 original co-sponsors	6/15/2023 introduced, referred to Agriculture	Support AFA supported past bills	11 co-sponsors (none MI); 6-D; 5-R

H.R. 4241	Would amend Horse Protection Act to prohibit transport of horses in interstate transportation in motor vehicle containing 2 or more levels stacked on top of one another; Rep. Cohen (D-TN) + 67 original co-sponsors	6/21/2023 introduced, referred to Energy and Commerce	Support AFA supported similar bill last session	76 co-sponsors including Rep's. Stevens, Scholten; 75-D; 1-R
H.R. 4389	Migratory Birds of the Americas Conservation Enhancements Act would reauthorize through FY2028 the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act, which provides funding for projects to promote the conservation of neotropical migratory birds; Rep. Salazar (R-FL) + 3 original co-sponsors	6/27/2023 introduced, referred to Natural Resources; 10/17 referred to Subcommittee on Water, Wildlife, and Fisheries; 10/18 Subcommittee Hearings held; 3/12/2024 Committee hearings held; 4/5 reported (amended); 4/9 rules suspended, passed on voice vote; 4/10 received in Senate, referred to Environment and Public Works; 4/17 discharged by Committee by unanimous consent, passed Senate without amendment by Voice Vote; 4/24 presented to President, signed by President, became Pub Law 118-51	Support	19 co-sponsors, including Rep. Kildee; 12-D; 7-R

H.R. 4757	The Cease Animal Research Grants Overseas (CARGO) Act would amend the Public Health Service Act to prohibit the National Institutes of Health from awarding any support for an activity or program that uses live animals in research unless the research occurs in the US; (Rep. Titus, NV) + 1 original co-sponsor	7/19/2023 introduced, referred to Energy and Commerce; 7/21 referred to Subcommittee on Health	Support with condition that this is not an endorsement of animal testing, or the oversight of animal testing, in the US Sponsor's press release	23 co-snonsors (none MI): 12-
<u>S. 2397</u>	WATCH Act would amend Public Health Service Act to require inspections of foreign laboratories conducting biomedical and behavioral research to ensure compliance with applicable animal welfare requirements; Sen. Schmitt (R-MO)	7/21/2023 introduced, referred to Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions	Support	8 co-sponsors, including Sen. Peters; 5-R; 3-D

H.Con.Res. 59	Concurrent resolutions urging all countries to outlaw dog and cat meat trade and to enforce existing laws against such trade. Sen. Merkley (D-OR) + 1 original co-sponsor; Rep. Moskowitz (D-FL) + 11 original co-sponsors	7/20/2023 introduced (both House and Senate). Senate, 7/20 referred to Foreign Relations. House, 7/20 referred to Agriculture and to Foreign Relations	Support	House: 16 co-sponsors including Rep. Dingell; 11-D; 5-R. S.Con.Res. 2 co-sponsors (none MI); 1-R; 1-D
<u>S. 2555</u>	Better Care for Animals Act would amend AWA to strengthen DOJ enforcement power by allowing DOJ to levy civil penalties, suspend and revoke licenses, and remove or relocate animals; Sen. Blumenthal (D-CT) + 1 original co-sponsor. House: Rep. Reschenthaler (R-PA) + 1 original co-sponsor	7/27/2023 introduced (both House and Senate); Senate, 7/27, referred to Agriculture. House: 7/27, referred to Agriculture; 9/19 referred to Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry	Support <u>Article</u>	29 co-sponsors, including Sen. Peters; 26-D; 2-R; 1-I. 5041 190, including Rep's. Thanader, Stevens, Scholten, Dingell, Kildee, Slotkin; 173-D; 17-R
H.R. 5023	"Peas, Legumes, And Nuts Today" or "PLANT Act" would support American farmers and rural communities through plant-based food production, Rep. McGovern (D-MA)	7/27/2023 introduced, referred to Agriculture	Support Sponsor Press Release	14 co-sponsors including Rep. Scholten; 14-D

<u>S. 2370</u> /H.R. 4750	BARK Act would amend Good Samaritan Food Donation Act to provide protection for the good faith donation of pet products; Sen. Warnock (D-GA) + 1 original co-sponsor. House: Rep. Raskin (D-MD) + 18 original co-sponsors	7/19/2023 introduced, referred to Agriculture. House: 7/19/2023 introduced, referred to Education	Support Warnock Press release	2 co-sponsors (none MI); 1-D; 1-R. H.R. 4750 58 co-sponsors including Rep. Dingell; 47-D; 11-R
H.R. 5175	PETSAFE Act would direct FEMA to develop a pilot program for mobile animal shelters in event of emergencies, major disasters; Rep. Schiff (D-CA) + 9 original co-sponsors	8/8/2023 introduced, referred to Transportation and Infrastructure; 8/9 referred to Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management	Support <u>Sponsor's Press Release</u>	33 co-sponsors (none MI); 30- D; 3-R
H.R. 5217	Refuge from Cruel Trapping Act would prohibit body-gripping traps in National Wildlife Refuges; Rep. Nadler (D- NY) + 21 original co- sponsors	8/15/2023 introduced, referred to Natural Resources	Support <u>AWI</u> <u>Press Release</u>	22 co-sponsors (none MI); 22-D
<u>S. 2734</u>	PAWS re-authorization Act would amend the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018 to reauthorize the emergency and transitional pet shelter and housing assistance grant program; Sen. Peters (D-MI) + 1 original co-sponsor	9/6/2023 introduced, referred to Agriculture; 3/21/2024 funded as part of FY 2024 budget	Support	1 co-sponsor (none MI); 1-R

H.R. 5399	Humane Cosmetics Act would substantially restrict use of animal testing for cosmetics; Rep. Beyer (D-VA) + 4 original co-sponsors	9/12/2023 introduced, referred to Energy and Commerce	Support	215 co-sponsors, including Rep's. Scholten, Thanedar, Slotkin, Stevens, Tlaib; 185-D; 30-R
<u>S. 2782</u> /H.R. 4110	Expanded Food Safety [Investigation] Act would provide the FDA with authority to conduct microbial sampling on CAFOs to address public health needs; Sen. Booker (D-NJ) + 1 original co-sponsor. House: Rep. DeLaurio (D-CT) + 2 original co-sponsors	9/13/2023 introduced, referred to Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions House: 6/14, introduced, referred to Energy and Commerce; 6/16 referred to Subcommittee on Health	Support	1 co-sponsor (none MI); 1-D. H.R. 4110 8 co-sponsors (none MI); 8-D
<u>S. 2811</u>	Would require USFWS to withdraw proposed Endangered Species Act rules trelated to critical habitat designation, and hat required inter-agency cooperation; Sen. Loomis (R-WY) + 16 original cosponsors	9/14/2023 introduced, referred to Environment and Public Works	Oppose <u>Article</u>	17 co-sponsors (none MI); 17-R

H.R. 6021	Ejiao Act would prohibit the transportation, sale, and purchase of donkeys or donkey hides for the purpose of producing ejiao, a gelatin made from donkey's hides; Rep. Beyer (D-VA)	10/24/2023 introduced; 10/25, referred to Energy and Commerce, Ways and Means, Foreign Affairs, Judiciary, and Transportation and Infrastructure; 11/3 referred to Energy and Commerce Subcommittee on Innovation, Data, and Commerce	Support	7 co-sponsor (none MI); 4-R; 3- D <u>Article</u>
H.Res. 881	To commemorate 50th anniversary of the Endangered Species Act; Rep. Beyer (D-VA) + 15 original co-sponsors	11/21/2023 introduced, referred to Natural Resources	Support	53 co-sponsors, including Rep's. Dingell, Stevens, Tlaib; 52-D; 1-R
<u>S. 3382</u>	Protecting Interstate Commerce for Livestock Producers Act would amend the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act to protect ranchers from out-of-state regulation that interferes with interstate livestock production; Sen. Hawley (R- MO) + no co-sponsors	11/30/2023 introduced, referred to Agriculture Committee	Oppose	No co-sponsors

H.R. 6784	ESA Flexibility Act would expand to "endangered" species, the more flexible rules applicable to "threatened" species under Section 4(d) of the Act; Rep. Stauber (R-MN) + 4 original co-sponsors	12/14/2023 introduced, referred to Natural Resources; 2/14/2024, subcommittee hearing	Oppose Sponsor press release	8 co-sponsors (none MI); 8-R
H.R. 7018	Glue Trap Prohibition Act would prohibit sale, use of glue traps for rodents; Rep. Lieu (D-CA) + 1 original co-sponsor	1/17/2024 introduced, referred to Agriculture	Support	3 co-sponsors (none MI); 3-D
H.R. 7145/S. 3694	SWIMS Act amends MMPA to prohibit the taking, importation, exportation, and breeding of certain cetaceans for public display; Rep. Schiff (D-CA) + 24 original co-sponsors. Senate: Sen. Wyden (D-OR) + 4 original co- sponsors	1/30/2024 introduced, referred to Natural Resources and to Agriculture Senate 1/30/2024 introduced, referred to Commerce, Science, and Transportation	Support AFA supported similar bill last session	36 co-sponsors, including Rep's. Tlaib, Thanedar; 36-D. Senate 6 co-sponsors (none MI); 6-D <u>S. 3694</u>

H.R. 7211	Petfax Act would require sellers to report conditions in which the animal was bred and raised and health history; create stricter criteria for licensing to sell pets; Rep. Ross (D-NC) + 1 original co- sponsor	2/1/2024 introduced, referred to Agriculture and to Energy and Commerce	Support	1 co-sponsor (none MI); 1-R More information
H.R. 7221	Wildlife Corridors and USDA Conservation Programs Act would provide for conservation and designation of habitat connectivity areas, with support from voluntary USDA-administered conservation programs; Rep. Byer (D-VA) + 1 original co-sponsor	2/5/2024 introduced, referred to Agriculture and to Natural Resources	Support	2 co-sponsors (none MI); 2-R
<u>S. 3737</u> / H.R. 7396	"Animal Violence Exposes Real Threat of Future Violence (AVERT) Act would direct the Attorney General to conduct a study on animal cruelty; Sen. Peters + 1 original co-sponsor. House: Rep. Titus (D-NV) + 5 original co-sponsors	2/6/2024 introduced, referred to Judiciary. House 2/15/2024 introduced, referred to Judiciary	Support More information	1-co-sponsor; 1-R. House 5 co-sponsors (none MI); 3-R; 2- D <u>H.R. 7396</u>

<u>S. 3791</u>	Would reauthorize America's Conservation Enhancement Act; Sen. Carper (R-DE) + 8 original co-sponsors	2/8/2024 introduced, referred to Environment and Public Works; 3/12 reported from Committee, placed on Senate Calendar	Support	15 co-sponsors, including Sen. Peters; 8-R; 6-D; I-1
H.R. 7248	Would amend Food, Drug, Cosmetic Act to replace animal testing in nonclinical research; Rep. Carter (R-GA) + 10 original co-sponsors	2/6/2024 introduced, referred to Energy and Commerce; 2/9 referred to Subcommittee on Health; 2/29 committee hearing	Support	33 co-sponsors, including Rep. Tlaib; 17-R; 16-D
<u>H.R. 7380</u>	PURR Act would amend Food, Drug, Cosmetic Act to clarify and update FDA's authority to ensure national uniformity in the regulation of the marketing and labeling of companion animal pet food; Rep. LaTurner (R- KS) + 4 original co- sponsors	2/15/2024 introduced, referred to Energy and Comerce; 2/16 referred to Subcommittee on Health	Support	13 co-sponsors (none MI); 8-R; 5-D

H.R. 7408	America's Wildlife Habitat Conservation Act would amend Pittman-Robertson to make supplemental funds available for management of fish and wildlife species of greatest conservation need as determined by State agencies; Rep. Westerman (R-AR) + 18 original co- sponsors	2/20/2024 introduced, referred to Natural Resources and to Agriculture; 3/4 referred to Natural Resources Subcommittee on Water, Wildlife, and Fisheries; 3/6 Subcommittee hearing; 4/16 Committee hearing, reported (amended) 21 - 17	Oppose Republican version of RAWA	22 co-sponsors (none MI); 22-R
H.R. 7430	Public Lands in Public Hands Act would prohibit Secretaries of Interior and Agriculture from transferring certain federal lands to a non- federal entity; Rep. Zinke (R-MT) + 1 original co- sponsor		Oppose	1 co-sponsor (none MI); 1-D
H.R. 7670	Minks in Narrowly Kept Spaces are Super- spreaders would amend Animal Welfare Act to prevent the captivity of minks; Rep. Mace (R-SC) + 7 original co-sponsors	3/13/2024 introduced, referred to Agriculture	Support	18 co-sponsors (none MI); 11- D; 7-R See H.R. 3783 (above); article

S.Res. 610	Resolution honoring Dr. Jane Goodall and her legacy as an ethologist, conservationist, and activist; Sen. Coons (D-DE) + 2 original co-sponsors	3/21/2024 introduced, referred to Judiciary	Support	3 co-sponsors (none MI); 2-D; 1-R
H.R. 7795	Prohibiting Threatened and Endangered Creature Trophies (ProTECT) Act would amend Endangered Species Act (ESA) to prohibit taking endangered or threatened species into the US as a trophy; Rep. Jackson Lee (D-TX) + 12 original co-sponsors	3/22/2024 introduced, referred to Natural Resources	Support	14 co-sponsors, including Rep. Dingell; 14-D
H.R. 8119	Would establish U.S. Customs and Border Protection pilot program to adopt dogs from local animal shelters to be trained as therapy dogs; Rep. Gonzales (R-TX) + 11 original co-sponsors	4/23/2024 introduced, referred to Homeland Security	In review	13 co-sponsors (none MI); 9-R; 4-D

<u>S. 4206</u> /H.R. 8164	The Captive Primate Safety Act would prohibit interstate commerce and private ownership of primates; Sen. Blumenthal (D-CT) + 2 original co-sponsors. House Rep. Blumenauer (D-OR) + 3 original co- sponsors H.R. 8164	4/30/2024 introduced, referred to Environment and Public Works	Support AFA supported in past sessions	6 co-sponsors (none MI); 6-D. House 29 co-sponsors (none MI); 27-D; 2-R Sponsor press release
H.R. 8467	Farm, Food, and National Security Act of 2024 (Draft House Farm Bill); Rep. Thompson (R- PA)	5/21/2024 introduced, referred to Agriculture; 5/23 committee mark-up, passed committee	Oppose	
H.R. 8492	Prohibit Wildlife Killing Contests Act would ban WKCs on public lands; Rep. Cohen (D-TN) + 16 original co-sponsors	5/22/2024 introduced, referred to Natural Resources and to Agriculture	Support	17 co-sponsors including Rep. Tlaib; 17-D Sponsor Press Release (AFA listed among organizations supporting)
H.R. 8733	Child Abuse Detection and Reporting Act would amend Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act to include animal abuse data in national clearinghouse for child abuse and neglect; Rep. Custer (D-NH) + 1 original co-sponsor	6/13/2024 introduced; referred to Education and the Workforce	In review <u>More information</u>	4 co-sponsors (none MI); 2-D; 2-R
Attorney	Attorneys for Animals Regulatory Tracker™ to June 26, 2024			

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Agency	Proposed Rule/Notice/Final Rule	Summary	Additional Action/Resources	Notes
Dept. of Interior / Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS)	Proposed Rule: Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; 90-Day Findings for 4 Species	FWS announces 90-day findings on petitions to add four species to the Lists of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants under the ESA. FWS finds that the petitions to list the common hippopotamus, Morro Bay polyphyllan scarab beetle, Inyo rock daisy, and roughhead shiner present substantial scientific or commercial information indicating that the petitioned actions may be warranted. FWS announces that it is initiating status reviews of these species to determine whether the petitioned actions are warranted. To ensure that the status reviews are comprehensive, FWS requests scientific and commercial data and other information regarding the species and factors that may affect their status. Based on the status reviews, FWS will issue 12-month petition findings, which will address whether or not the petitioned actions are warranted, in accordance with the ESA.	Action comes after March 2024 filing of 60 day notice of intent to sue (the agency was required to respond within one year of the petition) and details the need for ESA protection as the US "is the top importer of hippo parts and products, consuming 45% of global imports between 2019 and 2021" and "Hippo parts and products are readily available for purchase across much of the United States. A 2022 undercover investigation by Humane Society International and the Humane Society of the United States revealed thousands of items made from hippo parts for sale in the United States. Products made from hippo leather, such as belts, shoes and purses, and items made from hippo ivory, such as carvings and handles on knives and bottle openers, were among the most common items found for sale. Trophies, such as shoulder mounts and mounted teeth, were also available for purchase." https://biologicaldiversity.org/w/news/press-releases/legal-action-launched-to-protect-hippos-under-us-endangered-species-act-2024-03-20/	The 4 species include a plant, a beetle, a minnow and hippopotamuses. All were initiated by petition; the petition to list the common hippopotamus was submitted by HSUS, HSI, HSLF and Center for Biological Diversity in March 2022.

Dept. of Health and Human Services / Food and Drug Administration (FDA)	Notice: General Considerations for Animal Studies Intended To Evaluate Medical Devices; Guidance for Industry and Food and Drug Administration Staff; Availability	The FDA is announcing the availability of a final guidance entitled "General Considerations for Animal Studies Intended to Evaluate Medical Devices." FDA developed this guidance document to assist medical device sponsors, testing facilities, and other persons involved in designing, conducting, and reporting the results of animal studies intended to assess the safety of medical devices to support premarket submissions. These animal studies typically provide initial evidence of device safety, which may include device performance and handling, and the biological effects when used in a living system.		FDA will accept written or electronic comments anytime.
Dept. of Interior / Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS)	Notice: Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; One Species Not Warranted for Delisting and Six Species Not Warranted for Listing as Endangered or Threatened Species	FWS announces findings that one species, the southern sea otter, is not warranted for delisting. Further, it finds that six species are not warranted for listing as endangered or threatened: Cascades frog, plains spotted skunk, sicklefin chub, sturgeon chub, Tennessee cave salamander, Yazoo crayfishius hartfieldi. However, FWS asks the public to submit to it at any time any new information relevant to the status of any of the species mentioned above or their habitats.	2020 petition by Pacific Legal Foundation, counsel for California Sea Urchin Commission and Commercial Fishermen of Santa Barbara, to delist the southern sea otter, which had 1st been listed in 1977. FWS declined to delist in this 12-month finding. Findings not to list 6 other species are based on petitions filed by conservation groups as far back as 2010.	Take-away: southern sea otter will not be delisted

Dept. of Interior / Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS)	Notice: Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Establishment of a Nonessential Experimental Population of the Gray Wolf in the State of Colorado; Final Environmental Impact Statement	FWS announces the availability of a final environmental impact statement and draft record of decision (ROD) under NEPA for its intended action of establishing a nonessential experimental population of the gray wolf in Colorado. The state requested that FWS establish an NEP in conjunction with State-led gray wolf reintroduction effort. Establishment of this NEP under section 10(j) of the ESA would provide for allowable, legal, purposeful, and incidental take of the gray wolf in Colorado, while also providing for the conservation of the species. In the FEIS, we analyzed the environmental consequences of a range of alternatives for our proposed rule. The action would be implemented through a final rule.	Context: in 2020 election, CO voters approved re-introduction of wolves. FWS then desinated the wolves as a "nonessential experimental population", meaning the wolves could be "taken" including killed under certain circumstances, and allowed state management. Wolves were released in a ranching/agricultural area, and the plan remains controversial.	In respose to predation complaints, the Colorado Parks and Wildlife Commission at its June 2024 meeting, authorized lethal management in some circumstances.
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Dep't of Commerce / National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) / National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS)	Notice: Listing Endangered or Threatened Species; 12- Month Finding on a Petition To Revise the Critical Habitat Designation for the North Pacific Right Whale	NMFS announces a 12-month determination on a petition to revise the critical habitat designation for the North Pacific right whale under the ESA. Based on NMFS's review of the best available information on North Pacific right whale habitat use, NMFS intends to revise the critical habitat. This finding describes how NMFS intends to proceed, particularly regarding analysis and review of the relevant data and information that have become available since North Pacific right whale critical habitat was designated in 2008.	Good summary of status	Context: only ~30 individuals remain and are rarely sited. FWS in process of preparing a proposed rule that will expand critical habitat, which will then be open for public comment.
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FWS announces a finding on the gray wolf in the Context: FWS rejected two Northern Rocky Mountains and in the Western United States. After a thorough review of the best petitions from conservation available scientific and commercial data, FWS finds groups, re Northern Rockies **Lawsuit filed in April 2024** Proposed Rule: Endangered that gray wolves within the NRM area do not, on gray wolves, and Western US Dept. of Interior by Sierra Club, CBD, HSUS, and Threatened Wildlife their own, represent a valid listable entity; gray wolves. At the same time HSLF in federal court in and Plants; Finding for the therefore, the NRM is not warranted for listing Fish and the agency announced Gray Wolf in the Northern under the ESA. FWS finds that the gray wolf in the Montana; press release from Wildlife Service formation of a National Rocky Mountains and the Western United States is a valid listable entity; Sierra Club with background, (FWS) Recovery Plan for gray wolves however, the gray wolf in the Western United States **Western United States** link to complaint in the lower 48 states. In does not meet the definition of an endangered response, the petitioners filed species or a threatened species. Thus, FWS finds that listing the gray wolf in the Western United States is an intent to sue notice. not warranted at this time.

Dept. of Interior / Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS)	Proposed Rule: Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Three Species Not Warranted for Listing as Endangered or Threatened Species	The FWS announces findings that three species are not warranted for listing as endangered or threatened species under the ESA, after a thorough review of the best available scientific and commercial information re the the Kiamichi crayfish, Rio Grande chub, and Rio Grande sucker. However, the FWS asks the public to submit to it at any time any new information relevant to the status of any of the species mentioned above or their habitats.	These findings were made on June 20, 2024.	This represents the "one year findings" on 3 petitions submitted by Wildearth Guardians, in 2007, 2013, and 2014.
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