

COMMERCIAL BREEDER REGULATION, MANDATORY SPAY NEUTER BILLS 2009

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STATE	BILL	SPONSOR	SUMMARY	STATUS
1 AL	SB 554	Senator Dell March (R, 12)	This bill would require the sterilization of all privately owned dogs and cats within the state with certain specified exceptions. This bill would also provide that the owner of a dog or cat over 6 months of age that has not been sterilized and that is the subject of a complaint to a local animal control agency, as specified, may be cited and, if cited, must pay a civil penalty to the local animal agency within 30 days.	Introduce 4/1; assigned to Judiciary. DEAD
1 AR	SB 864	Senator Sue Madison (D)	Requires licensing for anyone owning 12 or more dogs and cats; allows warrantless searches	Referred to referred to Senate Committee on Judiciary. 4/8. BILL DIED IN COMMITTEE
2 AZ	HB 2517	Rep. Nancy Young Wright (D, 26), Ed Ableser (D17), Tom Chabin (D-Flagstaff), Steve Farley (D, 28), Chad Campbell (D, 14), Cloves Campbell (D, 16), Martha Garcia (D,13), Matthew Heinz (D, 29), Robert Meza (D, 14), Daniel Patterson (D, 29), Michele Reagan (R, 8), David Schapira (D, 17), Anna Tovar (D, 13), Rae Waters (D ,20), Senator Paula Aboud (D, 28), Amanda Aguirre (D, 24), Senator Al Melvin (R,26), Jay Tibshraeny (R, 21)	Subjects permitted kennel to inspections by the county enforcement agent at any time during regular business hours.	Referred to referred to Committee on Government; failed vote 5-4. DIED.

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3 CA	AB 241	Assembly Member Pedro Nava (D-35)	Existing law specifies that certain conduct against animals is criminal. This bill would make it a misdemeanor to have more than a combined total of 50 intact dogs and cats. Because this bill would create a new crime, it would impose a state-mandated local program. No individual or business that buys or sells dogs or cats to the public or at wholesale shall own, possess, control, or otherwise have charge or custody of more than a combined total of 50 dogs and cats with intact sexual organs. To comply with the new law animals in excess of 50 must be spayed, neutered, sold, relinquished or euthanized.	03.09.09 referred to Committee on Public Safety. Hearing date scheduled for 4/14/09. Passed: AYE-Solorio, Furutani, Hill, Ma, Skinner; NO-Hagmen, Gilmore. Re-referred to the Appropriations. PASSED 4/28: AYES-Hayashi, Eng, Hernandez, Nava, John A. Perez, Price, Ruskin, Smyth. NOES-Conway, Niello. Re-referred to Business and Professions. 5/14 PASSED 13-3: AYE-Tom Ammiano, Charles Calderon, Mike Davis, Kevin de Leon, Isadore Hall, Diane Harkey, Paul Krekorian, Curren Price, Jr., Nancy Skinner, Jose Solorio, Audra Strickland, Tom Torlakson. NOES-Mike Duvall, Jeff Miller, Jim Nielsen. 5/18 READ 2nd time to 3rd reading on ASM floor; PASSED ASM floor 5/21 AYES 60. NOES 14.) (PASS) - moves to Senate To Com. on RLS. for assignment. PASSED Senate; awaiting Governor's signature. VETOED BY GOVERNOR.

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4 CA	SB 250	Senator Dean Florez (D, 16)	No person may own an unaltered dog except as specified. It would be unlawful for any person who owns, keeps, or harbors any unaltered cat over 6 months of age to remain outdoors. Amended by Local Govt Committee to remove vague animal control violations. AB 250 continues to require mandatory sterilization for any impounded dogs, even on first offense.	Referred to Committee on Local Govt. 03.09.09. Hearing Date 4/15. Passed: AYE-Wiggins Kehoe Wolk; NO-Cox. Hearing May 4 Senate Appropriations Committee cancelled; hearing reset for May 11. Placed on APPR suspense file. June 2 Read third time. Passed. (Ayes 21. Noes 16.)_Sent to Assembly, read first time. 07.01.09 heard by the California Assembly Business and Professions; passed 6 to 3 along party lines with Republicans voting NO. DEAD FOR THIS YEAR.
5 CO	HB 1172	Representative Randy Fisher (D-53) ; Representative Elizabeth McCann (D-8)	Limits at 25 the number of unsterilized dogs over 6 months of age that a dog breeder may keep on premises licensed under the "Pet Animal Care and Facilities Act" (Act). Mandates annual certification by a licensed veterinarian that a dog is suitably healthy for breeding before the dog may be bred. Replaces "owner" with "custodian".	Referred to Ag Committee. Hearing 02.09.09: After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following - HB09-1172 be POSTPONED INDEFINITELY
6 CT	HB 5801	Rep. Auden Grogins (D, 129); Rep. Joseph S. Mioli(D, 136), Rep. Maryanne Hornish (D, 62)	Prohibit pet stores or breeders that sell dogs to the public from selling dogs that are obtained from a "substandard puppy mill" and to define "substandard puppy mill" as any facility: (1) Where dogs are housed in a cage without allowing such dogs daily exercise, (2) where dogs are not maintained in a dry and reasonably clean condition, (3) that does not provide adequate protection from the elements, etc does not provide potable water at all times, does not have floors that protect feet from injury etc	Introduced January; Referred to Committee on Environment. DIED

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7 DE	HB 95	Rep. Melanie Marshall (D,5); Reps. Valerie Longhurst (D, 15), Joseph Miro (R, 22), David Wilson (R, 35) and Sen. Patricia M. Blevins (D, 7)	This bill adopts the recommendations of the Humane Society of the United States regarding restrictions on the large-scale for-profit dog breeding operations commonly known as "puppy mills." The intent of this bill is to ensure that dogs are bred in sanitary and humane conditions. The bill prohibits the possession of more than 25 breeding dogs at one time and imposes minimum requirements for breeding dogs to receive veterinary care.	Introduced 03.26. Referred to House Agriculture Committee. No action. Legislative session expected to end June 30. HOUSE RECESSED; BILL NOT HELD OVER.
8 FL	SB 2002	Sen. Lee Constantine (R, 22);	Prohibits a person from keeping 50 or more breeding dogs at any one time; requires engineering standards for exercise, kennel size, sanitary conditions, temperature control, enclosure construction for anyone who owns 10 or more breeding dogs that are 4 months of age or older.	03/05/09 S Introduced, referred to Community Affairs; Agriculture; General Government Appropriations - SJ 00147. 4/14/09 passed committee 7 to 3. Referred to Agriculture - DIED 5/2.
9 FL	HB 1249	Rep. Darren Soto (D, 49)	Companion bill to SB2002	03/09/2009 H Referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources Policy (GGPC); Military & Local Affairs Policy (EDCA); Public Safety & Domestic Security Policy (CCJP); General Government Policy Council -HJ 00191. Referred to Agriculture 5/2 - DIED.
10 FL	HB 451	Rep. Scott Randolph (D, 36)	Requires all dogs and cats over the age of 4 months to be spayed/neutered; allows counties to extend certain exemptions	Referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources Policy Committee; first reading 03.03.09. Revised 03.25.09 to remove mandatory SN; replaced with surcharge imposed on intact animals if in violation of ordinance-surcharge to fund low cost SN. 5/2/09 DIED n Committee on Military & Local Affairs Policy (EDCA)
11 HI	HB1842	Rep. Maile Shimabukuro (D)	Kitchen sink document with facility requirements and restrictions; bonding requirements; seller must provide information on spay/neuter; seller must microchip and license pet prior to sale; misc health guarantees; extensive record keeping.	DIED in committee without a hearing

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12 IA	HF 483 /SF265	Rep. Jim Lykam (D, 85) & Sen. Joe Seng (D, 43)	Would establish inspection by state of USDA licensed and inspected commercial kennels	DIED
13 IL	HB 198	Rep. John Fritchey (D, 11) ; Cosponsors-Representatives: Cynthia Soto (D, 4);Deborah Mell (D, 40);Karen May (D, 58);Kenneth Dunkin (D, 5);Greg Harris (D,13);Michael J. Zalewski (D, 21);Elizabeth Hernandez (D, 24);Keith Farnham (D, 43);Lou Lang (D); Jack McGuire (D, 86); Linda Chapa LaVia (D, 83); Maria Antonia Berrios (D, 39); William Burns (D,26); Sandra M. Pihos (R, 42)	Requires anyone with 3 or more females to be a commercially licensed kennel; sets engineering standards including live steam sanitation and enclosure requirements double those of USDA for facilities; requires background checks; requires extensive disclosure documents at sale; limits ownership to 20 intact dogs at any time. Dogs cannot be sold by facilities whose license is revoked; dogs must be surrendered to animal control or euthanized.	HB 198 referred to the Business/Occupational Licenses Committee; 2nd reading on 03.12.09. Read on House floor and recorded. Moved to Military & Local Affairs Policy Committee. ON HOLD. Task force created to discuss need for additional regulation.
14 IL	SB 53	Sen. Dan Kotowski (D, 33); Senators: M. Maggie Crotty (D, 19); Linda Holmes (D,42); Jacqueline Y. Collins (D, 16); Heather Steans (D, 7);Toi W Hutchinson (D, 40); Dan Cronin (R, 21); Ira I. Silverstein (D, 8)	Mirror bill to HB 198	SB 53 read and recorded in Senate. 03.17.09 Amendment #2 has stripped text from the bill. ON HOLD. Task force created to discuss need for additional regulation.
15 IN	HB 1468	Rep. Linda Lawson (D, 1); Representatives Trent VanHaaften (D, 76), Jackie Walorski (R, 21). Senate Sponsors: Senators Lubbers (R, 30), Zakas (R, 11), Simpson (D, 40), Lanane (D, 25)	Pet dealer if you sell over 5 puppies/year. Registration as commercial breeder reqd. if you breed 10 or more litters/12 month period. Limit of 30 intact animals, standards for breeding, facilities. Mandated veterinary health certificate for breeding; USDA engineering standards for facilities; excessive record keeping and reporting. Incorporates amendments to current animal cruelty laws. AMENDED. Defines "hobby breeder" as a person who maintains 20 or fewer unaltered female dogs at least 12 months of age, and defines "commercial dog breeder" as a person who maintains more than 20 unaltered female dogs at least 12 months of age. Establishes table of license fees for commercial breeders based on number of dogs owned. No ownership limits set. License fees to be kept in a fund set aside to pay for inspections.	Passed House; possible revisions in Senate. 02.23.09 First reading: referred to Committee on Corrections, Criminal, and Civil Matters. Passed Senate; conference committee version enrolled. Signed into law.
16 LA	HB 1193	Rep. Harold Ritchie (D, 75)	Limit facilities to a maximum of 75 dogs; created new license fees	Passed 10/2008

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17 MA	SB 774	Sen. Robert Hedlund (R, Plymouth), Bruce E. Tarr (R, 1st Essex/Middlesex), Louis L. Kafka, Susan C. Tucker (D, 2nd Essex/Middlesex), Kenneth J. Donnelly (D, 4th Middlesex); Representatives: Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera (D, 10th Hampden), Thomas M. Stanley (D, 9th Middlesex), William N. Brownsberger (D, 24th Middlesex), Stephen L. DiNatale (D, 3rd Worcester), Peter J. Koutoujian (D, 10th Middlesex)	Establishes kennel licensed for 5 dogs and over with a cap of 25 intact dogs over the age of 6 months. City and town police departments within the state are responsible for issuing license and inspection. To move kennel to another town requires permission from the new town. Specifications for kennel housing and enclosures. Veterinary examination requirements: yearly for males, before breeding for females. Allows females to have only one litter per year.	Filed, no action to date
18 ME	LD 964, HP666	Wendy Pieh (D-Bremen)	Establishes 3 categories of breeding kennels with excessive licensing fees. Includes veterinary exam of puppies before sales, buyer guarantees.	Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry 03.12.09. Public Hearing scheduled Apr 15, 2009, 0100PM; Voted Ought to Pass as Amended on 5/29. Passed House and Senate. Signed into law June 15.
19 ME	LD 1053	Representatives Sara Stevens (D-Bangor); Anna Blodgett (D-Augusta); Brian Bolduc (D-Auburn); Gary Connor (D-Kennebunk); Alexander Cornell DuHoux (D-Brunswick); Sean Flaherty (D-Scarborough); Bryan Kaenrath (D-South Portland); Terry Morrison (D-South Portland)	Requires \$150 intact fee for all dogs and cats over 6 months of age. Limit of 10 dogs/cats for any breeding kennel at an annual fee of \$500 each. Increases pet shop fees to \$650 per dog sold.	Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry. 03.31.09 Pursuant to Joint Rule 310.6 Placed in Legislative Files (DEAD)
20 MD	SB 318	Sen. Lisa Gladden (D, 41); Sen. George Della (D, 46; Sen. Richard Madaleno (D, 18); Sen. Norman Stone (D, 6)	Limit of 50 at any time; engineering standards set for anyone owning 10 or more	3/2009 UNFAVORABLE Report by Judicial Proceedings Withdrawn
21 MD	HB 495	Delegates Smigiel, Ali, Barkley, Bartlett, Barve, Beidle, Bronrott, Cardin, Dumais, Frush, Gilchrist, Glenn, Hubbard, Hucker, Impallaria, Kelly, Kipke, Kramer, Lee, Manno, Mathias, McComas, McConkey, McDonough, Minnick, Montgomery, Ramirez, Shewell, Stein, Valderrama, and Waldstreicher	Mirror bill to SB 318	Last hearing 02.12.09; did not move forward.

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22 MN	SF 7	Sen. Don Betzold (DFL, 51); Katie Sieben (DFL, 57); John Marty (DFL, 54)	Facilities to be regulated using USDA engineering standards; limit of 50 at any one time; mandatory ID for tracking before sale of animal; requires background checks for licensure.	1.08.09 referred to Agriculture and Veterans Committee. TABLED
23 MN	HF 253	Tom Tillberry (DFL, 51B); Frank Hornstein (DFL, 60B); Michael Paymar (DFL, 64B); Mary Murphy (DFL, 6B); Steve Smith (R,33); Mindy Greiling (DFL,54A); Jerry Newton (DFL,49B); Phillip Sterner (DFL,37B); Linda Slocum (DFL, 63B); Erin Murphy (DFL,64A) ; Karla Bigham (DFL,57A); Carolyn Laine (DFL,50A); Leon Lillie (DFL,55A);Paul Rosenthal (DFL, 41B);Kate Knuth (DFL, 50B); Jeff Hayden (DFL, 61B)	Companion bill to SF 7; AMENDED 03.19.09. Commercial breeder defined as anyone owning or having interest in 20 or more adult intact dogs/cats and 5 litters/year. Adult defined as 24 weeks of age.	Referred to Public Policy. 03.19.09 amended, passed to Civil Justice Committee. HF 253 has been TABLED
24 MN	SF500	Sen. Sharon Ropes (DFL, 31)	Minnesota Puppy and Kitten Mill Cruelty Prevention Act. First labeling kitten mills. Labels as commercial anyone who owns or has an interest in animals for breeding; limits ownership to 40. Standards for care to be established under Best Management Practices which are to be written. Permit, inspection and fees to be determined by Board of Animal Health. The board must establish a per animal rate for each fee so as to cover the board's reasonable administration and inspection costs; board's rate-setting process is exempt from all existing rule-making requirements.	Referred to Agriculture and Veterans 02.09.09. NO ACTION
25 MN	HF573	Representatives Al Juhnke (DFL, 13B) ; Phil Sterner (DFL, 37B) ;Karla Bigham (DFL,57A); Linda Slocum (DFL, 63B)	Mirror bill to SF500	Referred by chair of Public Safety to Crime & Criminal Records Div. 02.12.09. NO ACTION
26 MO	HB 1004	Rep. Beth Low (D, 39), Michelle Kratky (D, 65); Mike Talboy (D, 37), Chappelle-Nadal (D, 72), B. Fisher (R, 125) , Carter (D, 61), J. Schupp (D, 82), R. Storch (D, 64), K. Meiners (D, 46), J Oxford (D, 59), A. Liese (D,79) Colona (D, 67), J. Roorda (D, 102)	Requires "adequate" rest between breeding cycles and veterinary exams; regular exercise; certain specifications for kennel enclosures and housing.	Introduced 3/12. No hearing set. DIED without hearing.

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27 MT	HB 548	Rep. Dave McAlpin (D, 94)	Requires annual unannounced inspections for facilities that breed dogs for sale or sell 20 dogs annually; requires department to adopt rules for inspections and standards for construction and maintenance of facilities that breed dogs for sale or sell dogs. AMENDED IN COMMITTEE. Inspection requires 48 hrs notice; standards for facilities removed; limit increased to sales of 100 dogs/year.	Referred to Agriculture Committee; failed first vote 3/5; amended & passed 3/18; scheduled for 2nd house hearing 3/23. TABLED.
28 NC	SB 460	Sen. Don Davis (D- Greene, Pitt, Wayne); Cosponsors: Senators Austin Allran (R-Catawba, Irredell [voted No]); Stan Bingham (R-Davidson, Guilford); Daniel Coldfelter (D-Mecklenburg); Charlie Dannelly (D-Mecklenburg); Katie Dorsett (D-Guilford); Don East (R- Alleghany, Stokes, Surry, Yadkin [Voted NO]); Tony Foriest (D-Alamance, Caswell); Linda Garrou (D-Forsyth); Steve Goss (D- Alexander, Ashe, Watauga, Wilkes); Malcolm Graham (D-Mecklenburg); Fletcher Hartsell (D-Cabarrus, Iredell [voted NO]); David Hoyle (D-Gaston); Neal Hunt (R-Wake); Clark Jenkins (D- Edgecombe, Martin, Pitt), Ed Jones (D- Bertie, Chowan, Gates, Halifax, Hertford, Northampton, Perquimans); Ellie Kinnaird (D-Orange, Person); Vernon Malone (D-Wake); Floyd McKissick, Jr. (D-Durham); Martin Nesbitt (D-Buncombe); Larry Shaw (D-Cumberland); R C Soles, Jr. (D- Brunswick, Columbus, Pender); Josh Stein (D-Wake); Richard Stevens (D-Wake); Don Vaughan (D-Guilford); David Weinstein (D- Hoke, Robeson [voted NO])	Classifies anyone with 15 females as commercial breeder requiring licensing; annual veterinary certification for breeding; females under 18 mos or over 8 yrs cannot be bred; reporting; USDA commercial kennel standards; inspections at any time. AMENDED (Commerce Committee Sub) remove breeding age requirements.	Referred to Commerce Committee. Passed Commerce 4/29 - referred to Finance. 07.01.09 Passed Senate Finance Committee by voice vote. Set for vote on Senate Floor 7.08.09. PASSED 2nd & 3rd readings. Sent to House Commerce; passed 14-12; sent to Finance. No action. ASSEMBLY ADJOURNED.

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29 NC	HB 460	Reps. Maggie Jeffus (D-Guilford); Pricey Harrison (D-Guilford); Margaret Dickson (D-Cumberland); cosponsor Reps. Rick Glazier (D-Cumberland); Verla Insko (D,Orange), Nick Mackey (D, Mecklenburg)	Mirror bill to SB 460	Referred to Rules; did not advance
30 NC	HB 733	Pat McElraft (R, Carteret, Jones), Margaret Highsmith Dickson (D, Cumberland), Efton Sager (R, Wayne), Cary Allred (R, Alamance), Lucy Allen (D, Halifax, Franklin, Nash), Alice Bordsen (D, Alamance), Becky Carney (D, Mecklenburg), Tricia Ann Cotham (D, Mecklenburg), Jean Farmer-Butterfield (D, Edgecombe, Wilson), Susan Fisher (D, Buncombe), Rick Glazier (D, Cumberland), Maggie Jeffus (D, Guilford), Earl Jones (D, Guilford), Randy Stewart (D, Nash), Edith Warren (D, Martin, Pitt), W A Wilkins (D, Durham, Person)	Classifies anyone with 15 females as commercial breeder requiring licensing; Limits ownership at any time to 20 females over 4 months; annual veterinary certification for breeding; females under 18 mos or over 8 yrs cannot be bred; reporting; USDA commercial kennel standards; inspections at any time. Revises definition of commercial breeding facility to exclude kennels or establishments operated primarily for the purpose of boarding or training hunting, sporting, herding, or guide dogs.	Filed 03.19.09. Hearing scheduled 4.22. Hearing cut short; bill not heard. Not expected to advance.
31 NE	NE LB 677	Sen. Ken Haar (21)	Limit of 75; commercial engineering standards for dog and cat kennels; license to be based on the daily average of dogs/cats housed. Enclosures to be a minimum of 3 times the length of the dog. Yearly veterinary examinations mandated.	01.21.09 Introduced; <u>02.20.09 Indefinitely postponed</u>
32 NY	AB 7285	Asm. Amy Paulin; Fields, Gabryszak, Hooper, Mayersohn, Eddington, Rosenthal, Carrozza, Millman; Bradley, Cook, Glick, Gottfried, Greene, Latimer, Lupardo, McDonough, McEneny, Nolan, Perry, Pheffer, Towns, Weisenberg	Amends the agriculture and markets law. No person or business may own, possess, control, or have charge or custody with more than 50 intact dogs or cats. Violation is a misdemeanor. AMENDED to allow agents or officers may lawfully take possession of any animals kept in violation of new sections.	03/27/2009 referred to Agriculture. Amended 5/11 & 5/18 and returned to Agriculture.

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33 NY	SB4515	Sen. Andrew Lanza (R, district 24)	Defines breeder as anyone who breeds <u>3 or more animals</u> for sale or profit. License required; facility requirements, temperature control, impervious surfaces; record keeping. Establishes breeder licensing fund, sets fee structure. License number must be on all sales advertising. Animals must be fed two times each day.	Introduced 4/24, amended and referred to Agriculture (print number SB4515-A)
34 NV	SB 241	Senator Shirley Breeden (D, Clark County-5), Maggie Carlton (D, Clark County-2), Valerie Weiner (Clark County-3). Assemblyman Tick Segerblom (D, 9); Assemblyman Harvey Munford (D, 6); Mark Manendo (D, 18) Ralph Townsend (R, Washoe-4); Steven Horsford (D, Clark County 4), John Lee (Clark County-1), David Parks (D, Clark County-7), Woodhouse (D, Clark County-5)	Defines breeder as a person who breeds dogs and cats for sale. Sets \$500 annual license fee. Sets the qualifications a person must meet to be issued a license as a 6 breeder, including good moral character. Dog or cat may only have 2 litters in its lifetime. Litters must be registered with the Department of Agriculture. Microchipping is mandatory. AMENDED: fee reduced to \$250.	Heard in Senate Natural Resources. 4/11 Pursuant to Joint Standing Rule No. 14.3.1, no further action allowed (DIED)
35 OH	SB95	Senator Jim Hughes (R, 16), Gary Cates (R, 4), David Goodman (R, 3), Dale Miller (D, 23), Ray Miller (D, 15), Kirk Schuring (R, 29), Nina Turner (D, 25)	Defines breeding kennel as one that sells 9 litters or 40 puppies and sells or leases adult dogs. Requires bond and background checks for license approval. License number and vendor number (tax ID) to be included on all transactions. Long list of facility and enclosure requirements: dog houses must have straw; all flooring must be sanitizable; outdoor runs must have shade from May-Sept. All dogs must be protected from fleas, ticks, and biting insects; requires dog nails to be cut; kennel areas must be free of weeds; heartworm prevention required. Female dogs under 18 months and over 9 yrs may not be bred without veterinarian certificate. <u>Only ONE litter per year is allowed per dog.</u> Tail docking, ear cropping, dew claw removal and debarking may only be done by a veterinarian. Establishes a Kennel Control Authority Board appointed by the legislature and Governor.	Introduced 04.07.09. Assigned to State & Local Government & Veterans Affairs

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36	OK	HB 1332	Rep. Lee Denney (R, 33); Brannan, Nations, Coates, Kiesel, McDaniel (Jeannie), Renegar, Williams	Requires anyone who sells, transfers 35 or more animals of any age within 1 year to obtain a license; establishes standards for staffing, record keeping, breeding protocols, housing and sanitation, transportation, nutrition. Out of state breeders must be licensed to buy or sell in OK. Creates state animal advisory board for implementing Pet Program. Mandatory microchipping to sell out of state.	Passed House; first reading in Senate 03.05.09. Assigned to Senate Appropriations-Passed. Passed Senate with revisions. Senate compromise bill approved 4/29. <u>5/19: Failed to pass out of Senate General Conference Committee on Appropriations. (DIED)</u>
37	OR	HB 2470	Rep. Paul Holvey (D, 8); Sarah Gelser (D, 1)	Prohibits people from owning more than 25 breeding dogs; establishes space and exercise requirements for people with more than 10 breeding dogs 4 months or older; includes consumer guarantees. AMENDED prior to passage: cap at 50 intact dogs.	Referred to Consumer Protection; hearing held 02.23.09. 4/14: PASSED House; moves to Senate. PASSED Senate 6/2.
38	TN	SB 258	Sen. Doug Jackson (D-Dickson); Senators Bill Ketron (R, 13), Eric Stewart (D, 14)	Requires anyone with more than 20 or more adult females to be licensed as commercial breeder; engineering standards for facilities and care; ownership set at maximum of 75	Referred to the Senate Standing Committee Commerce Labor & Agriculture. Placed on calendar for hearing 4/21. Passed 8 Yea, 0 No, 1 not voting; referred to Finance, Ways and Means. 6/18 PASSED SENATE.
39	TN	HB 386	Rep. Janis Sontany (D, Nashville)	Identical to SB 258	4/7 Passed House Subcommittee on Civil Practice & Procedure; referred to Judiciary Committee for hearing 4/22. Hearing moved to 5/06_Voice Vote - Ayes Prevail; recommended for passage w/amendments- refer to: Government Operations Committee. 5/12: PASSED to Finance Ways & Means. 6/16 PASSED HOUSE AND TRANSFERRED TO SENATE.
40	TX	HB 458	Rep. David Lieberman (D-117)	Allows counties to impose dog limit laws in unincorporated areas, changing the rules on pet owners who have bought homes with no HOA or dog-related deed restrictions.	02.18.09 referred to County Affairs. 03.16.09 Public hearing held, testimony taken and recorded. DIED; never scheduled for vote.

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41 TX	SB 1845	Sen. Leticia Van de Putte (D-26)	Statewide mandatory spay/neuter for all dogs and cats over 6 months unless owner holds a \$300 intact permit	Filed 03.11.09. DIED in committee without a hearing.
42 TX	HB 4277	Rep. Jose Menendez (D-124)	Identical bill to SB 1845	Filed 03.13.09. DIED in committee without a hearing.
43 TX	HB 3180	Rep. Senfronio Thompson (D-81); Eddio Luc	Imposes excessive reporting; stringent kennel standards, grooming, exercise, socialization, and breeding standards. Defines commercial breeder as anyone who possesses 11 or more adult intact females; breeder may not possess more than 50 at any time.	03.18.09 referred to Licensing & Administrative Procedures. Hearing scheduled 4/1/09. Bill pending. Shortened version attached as rider to SB2310 and passed. <u>5/13 read on Senate floor and referred to Criminal Justice Committee.</u>
44 TX	SB 1910	by Sen. John Whitmire (D-15).	Identical bill to SB 3180	Filed 03.12.09; no action ever taken.
45 TX	SB 634	Sen. Ken Seliger (R-31)	Would prohibit tethering under any condition, mandates 150 SF kennel requirements, does not allow dogs to be outside unattended at all during inclement weather (hunting dogs are not exempt).	02.23.09 referred to Criminal Justice. DIED; never scheduled for vote.
46 TX	HB 2001	Rep. Brian McCall (R-66)	Identical bill to SB 634	3.09.09 referred to County Affairs; DIED
47 VA	HB 538		License, standards, inspection for kennels with over 30; places limit of 50 that can be owned at any time.	Passed in 2008
48 WA	SB 5651	Sen. Jeanne Kohl-Welles (D, 36); Jerome Delvin (R-8), Adam Kline (D, 37); Rodney Tom (D, 48)	Prohibits possession of more than 25 breeding dogs at one time; establishes welfare standards where more than 10 breeding dogs are owned. Certain enclosure requirements; inspection of facilities and records at any time during daylight hours. Writes into law that dogs are not a commodity, and establishes puppy mill as the name for commercial breeding facilities covered in the bill. Restricts breeding of any female to one litter per year, must be between 18 months & 8 yrs. AMENDED version: limit of 50 dogs; veterinary approval for breeding needed; engineering standards replaced by performance based sanitation/care standards; one litter per year requirement removed.	03.12.09 passed Senate. Passed House 4/8/09 vote 74-23. Governor SIGNED INTO LAW April 30.

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49 WI	SB 110	Senator Alberta Darling (R,8); Cosponsored by Representatives J. Ott (R, 23), A. Ott (R, 03), K. Van Roy (R, 90), G. Bies (R, 1), R. Spanbauer (R, 53), M Honadel (R, 21)	Will regulate anyone who sells over 100 dogs/year; rules to be written; fees to be determined. First offense \$1,000 fine and up to 6 months imprisonment.	03.11.09 Referred to Committee on Agriculture & Higher Education
50 WI	SB 208	Introduced by Senators Kreitlow, Darling, Taylor, Plale, Carpenter, Sullivan, Holperin, S. Fitzgerald, Risser, Lehman, Cowles, Olsen, A. Lasee, Kanavas, Hansen, Wirch, Kapanke, Coggs and Leibham, cosponsored by Representatives Smith, Sinicki, Richards, Jorgensen, Dexter, Wood, Bernard Schaber, Pope-Roberts, Berceau, Barca, Pocan, Colon, Mason, Shilling, Sherman, Grigsby, Cullen, Seidel, Staskunas, Molepske Jr., Soletski, Honadel, Steinbrink, Van Roy, Van Akkeren, Pasch, Benedict, Turner, Black, Spanbauer, Zepnick, Schneider, Fields, J. Ott, A. Ott, Hilgenberg, Zigmunt, Young, Parisi, Gottlieb, Hebl, Roys, A. Williams, Montgomery, Hixson, Stone, Bies, Zipperer, Kestell, Davis and Pridemore.	Will regulate individuals, animal shelters, animal control facilities that sell 25 or more dogs annually. Department to set enclosure sizes at a later date, restricts wire flooring; specifies conditions for keeping dogs outside; requires daily monitoring of health and temperament of the dog; includes temperature control regulations; record keeping and reporting. Department may seize dogs upon reasonable belief of mistreatment. Establishes animal advisory committee.	Introduced 5/18; referred to Committee on Small Business, Emergency Preparedness, Technical Colleges, and Consumer Protection. No action.

COMMERCIAL BREEDER REGULATION, MANDATORY SPAY NEUTER BILLS 2009

Update: 10.12.09

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51 WI	AB 250	Representative Jeff Smith (D, 93); Sinicki, Richards, Jorgensen, Dexter, Wood, Bernard Schaber, Pope-Roberts, Berceau, Barca, Pocan, Colon, Mason, Shilling, Sherman, Grigsby, Cullen, Seidel, Staskunas, Molepske Jr., Soletski, Honadel, Steinbrink, Van Roy, Van Akkeren, Pasch, Benedict, Turner, Black, Spanbauer, Zepnick, Schneider, Fields, J. Ott, A. Ott, Hilgenberg, Zigmunt, Young, Parisi, Gottlieb, Hebl, Roys, A. Williams, Montgomery, Hixson, Stone, Bies, Zipperer, Kestell, Davis and Pridemore; cosponsored by Senators Kreitlow, Darling, Taylor, Plale, Carpenter, Sullivan, Holperin, S. Fitzgerald, Risser, Lehman, Cowles, Olsen, A. Lasee, Kanavas, Lassa, Hansen, Wirch, Kapanke, Coggs and Leibham.	Will regulate individuals, animal shelters, animal control facilities that sell 25 or more dogs annually. Department to set enclosure sizes at a later date, restricts wire flooring; specifies conditions for keeping dogs outside; requires daily monitoring of health and temperament of the dog; includes temperature control regulations; record keeping and reporting. Establishes animal advisory committee. AMENDMENT: Changes breeder definition to anyone breeding more than 3 litters per year regardless of number of puppies; removes outdoor restrictions and specific kennel standards.	4/30 Read and referred to Consumer Protection. Public Hearing held 9/23. PASSED; SIGNED INTO LAW.
52 WV	HB 2843	Delegates Daniel Poling (D, 10), Virginia Mahan (D, 27), Nancy Peoples Guthrie (D, 30), Roy Givens (D, 02), Tom Azinger (R, 10)	Labels as commercial breeding operation anyone who maintains 20 or more intact dogs; maximum of 40 can be owned. Annual veterinary examination required for female dogs. Breeding limits over 18 months, under 8 years. Investigations and inspections of facilities, books and records allowed for any reason. Violation is a misdemeanor subject to a fine of not more than \$2,500 or a jail term of not more than one year or both.	02.26.09 Introduced. 03.18.09 Committee on Agriculture amended numbers to Class I kennel 20-40; Class II kennel 40+. Fees to be determined. 3/31/09 HB 2843 FAILED TO MOVE THRU COMMITTEE PRIOR TO DEADLINE.
53 WY	HB 312	Rep. Bernadine Craft (D, 17)	Animal Cruelty if not meeting minimum standards of care established by HB 312 for shelter, light, veterinary care, adequate space.	DIED

Number of States for Commercial Breeder Bills: 30

SUMMARY

24% **8 Passed**
 12% **4 Pending**
 64% **21 DIED**
33 Total