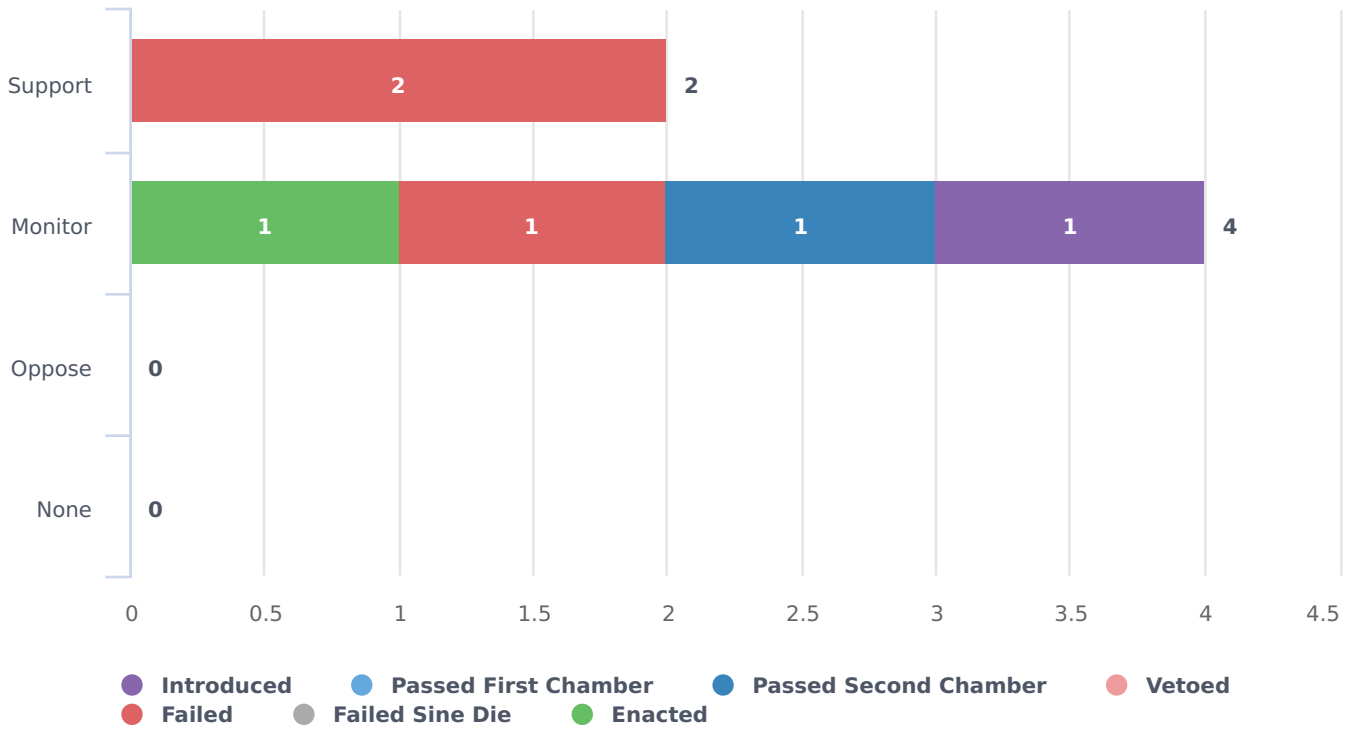


Wisconsin - 2024 Legislative Overview

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Bills by Last Status and Position



Bill State: WI (6)

State
WI

Bill Number
AB 75

Last Action
**Failed To Pass Pursuant To Senate Joint
Resolution 1 2024 04 15**

Status
Failed

Title
mistreating an animal and providing a penalty.

Description
An Act to amend 951.01 (2), 951.02, 951.18 (1) and 951.18 (4) (c); and to create 951.01 (3c) of the statutes;

Primary Sponsors
John Spiros, Amanda Nedweski, Jon Plumer, Nik Rettinger, Jessie Rodriguez, David Steffen, Joel Kitchens, Elijah Behnke, Tod Ohnstad

Bill Summary: Last edited by Jeff Plummer at Mar 1, 2023, 3:19 PM
Amends Chapter 951 (Crimes Against Animals), Section 951.18 (Penalties) of Wisconsin Statutes to revise the penalty for animal abuse from a Class C forfeiture to a Class I felony. Provides that a person who commits an act of animal abuse is guilty of a Class I felony if the animal abuse results in grievous bodily harm to or the death of the animal or if the person knows or reasonably should know that the animal abuse may result in grievous bodily harm to or the death of an animal, regardless of whether grievous bodily harm or death occurs. Provides that a court may order that a person who commits an act of animal abuse person may not reside with any animal or type or species of animal, for a period of up to 15 years if the person is convicted of a felony violation.

Introduction Date: 2023-02-28

State
WI

Bill Number
AB 752

Last Action
Laid On The Table 2024 02 15

Status
In Assembly

Title
license fee exemptions for a dog that is a service animal. (FE)

Description
An Act to amend 174.055 of the statutes;

Primary Sponsors
Nate Gustafson, Steve Doyle, Clinton Anderson, Elijah Behnke, Janel Brandtjen, Barbara Dittrich, Jenna Jacobson, Alex Joers, Gae Magnafici, Dave Murphy, Sylvia Ortiz-Velez, Lori Palmeri, Melissa Ratcliff, Christine Sinicki

Bill Summary: Last edited by Jeff Plummer at Dec 7, 2023, 3:49 PM
Amends Chapter 174 (Dogs), Section 174.055 (Exemption of dogs for blind, deaf and mobility-impaired) of Wisconsin Statutes to provide license fee exemptions for dogs that are service animals. Provides that any dog that is a "service animal" is exempt from the dog license tax, and every person owning such a dog receives a free dog license annually from the local collecting officer upon application. Current law exempts "every dog specifically trained to lead blind or deaf persons or to provide support for mobility-impaired persons". For purposes of this section: "Service animal" means a guide dog, signal dog, or other animal that is individually trained or is being trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of a person with a disability, including the work or task of guiding a person with impaired vision, alerting a person with impaired hearing to intruders or sound, providing minimal protection or rescue work, pulling a wheelchair, or fetching dropped items.

Introduction Date: 2023-12-06

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status
WI	AB 957	Report Vetoed By The Governor On 3 29 2024 2024 03 29	Passed Senate

Title
preemption of certain local animal ordinances.

Description
An Act to create 173.90 of the statutes;

Primary Sponsors
Treig Pronschinske, Alex Dallman, David Armstrong, Elijah Behnke, Jerry O'Connor, Peter Schmidt, Chuck Wichgers

Bill Summary: Last edited by Jeff Plummer at Jan 17, 2024, 3:19 PM
Amends Chapter 173 (Animals; Humane Officers) of Wisconsin Statutes to create Section 173.90 (Preemption of local animal regulations) relating to the state preemption of certain local animal ordinances. Prohibits political subdivisions from adopting certain regulations for animal facilities in areas that are zoned exclusively or primarily for agricultural use, unless the activity being regulated presents a substantial threat to public health or safety. Prohibits political subdivisions from establishing animal welfare standards that are more stringent than those contained in state law or from requiring or prohibiting animal medications or vaccinations that are not otherwise required or prohibited under state law. For purposes of this section: "Animal facility" means a farm or other commercial operation that raises or confines animals as a commercial enterprise.

Introduction Date: 2024-01-16

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status
WI	SB 65	Failed To Pass Pursuant To Senate Joint Resolution 1 2024 04 15	Failed

Title
mistreating an animal and providing a penalty.

Description
An Act to amend 951.01 (2), 951.02, 951.18 (1) and 951.18 (4) (c); and to create 951.01 (3c) of the statutes;

Primary Sponsors
Van Wanggaard, Rachael Cabral-Guevara

Bill Summary: Last edited by Jeff Plummer at Feb 16, 2023, 3:59 PM
Amends Chapter 951 (Crimes Against Animals), Section 951.18 (Penalties) of Wisconsin Statutes to revise the penalty for animal abuse from a Class C forfeiture to a Class I felony. Provides that a person who commits an act of animal abuse is guilty of a Class I felony if the animal abuse results in grievous bodily harm to or the death of the animal or if the person knows or reasonably should know that the animal abuse may result in grievous bodily harm to or the death of an animal, regardless of whether grievous bodily harm or death occurs. Provides that a court may order that a person who commits an act of animal abuse person may not reside with any animal or type or species of animal, for a period of up to 15 years if the person is convicted of a felony violation.

Introduction Date: 2023-02-15

State **WI** Bill Number **SB 728** Last Action **Published 3 23 2024 2024 03 26** Status **Enacted**

Title
license fee exemptions for a dog that is a service animal. (FE)

Description
An Act to amend 174.055 of the statutes;

Primary Sponsors
Rachael Cabral-Guevara, Tim Carpenter, Mark Spreitzer

Bill Summary: Last edited by Jeff Plummer at Nov 22, 2023, 2:07 PM

Amends Chapter 174 (Dogs), Section 174.055 (Exemption of dogs for blind, deaf and mobility-impaired) of Wisconsin Statutes to provide license fee exemptions for dogs that are service animals. Provides that any dog that is a "service animal" is exempt from the dog license tax, and every person owning such a dog receives a free dog license annually from the local collecting officer upon application. Current law exempts "every dog specifically trained to lead blind or deaf persons or to provide support for mobility-impaired persons". For purposes of this section: "Service animal" means a guide dog, signal dog, or other animal that is individually trained or is being trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of a person with a disability, including the work or task of guiding a person with impaired vision, alerting a person with impaired hearing to intruders or sound, providing minimal protection or rescue work, pulling a wheelchair, or fetching dropped items.

Introduction Date: 2023-11-21

State **WI** Bill Number **SB 892** Last Action **Failed To Pass Pursuant To Senate Joint Resolution 1 2024 04 15** Status **Failed**

Title
preemption of certain local animal ordinances.

Description
An Act to create 173.90 of the statutes;

Primary Sponsors
Romaine Quinn

Bill Summary: Last edited by Jeff Plummer at Jan 6, 2024, 4:12 PM

Amends Chapter 173 (Animals; Humane Officers) of Wisconsin Statutes to create Section 173.90 (Preemption of local animal regulations) relating to the state preemption of certain local animal ordinances. Prohibits political subdivisions from adopting certain regulations for animal facilities in areas that are zoned exclusively or primarily for agricultural use, unless the activity being regulated presents a substantial threat to public health or safety. Prohibits political subdivisions from establishing animal welfare standards that are more stringent than those contained in state law or from requiring or prohibiting animal medications or vaccinations that are not otherwise required or prohibited under state law. For purposes of this section: "Animal facility" means a farm or other commercial operation that raises or confines animals as a commercial enterprise.

Introduction Date: 2024-01-05

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