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2021 Maryland Humane Scorecard

2021 Scored Maryland Legislation

Wildlife Killing Contests

A ✓ indicates a vote in favor of SB200/HB293, an Act concerning Organized Killing Contests. An undercover investigation by HSUS revealed that competitions are being held in Maryland, where cash or firearm prizes are awarded for the mass killing of wildlife. Participants may use cruel tactics such as lures, calling devices, spotlights, and hound hunting to help them kill the most or the largest animals and win these “wildlife killing contests.” Once killed, the animals are often discarded, leaving their dependent young to die from starvation, predation, or exposure. SB200/HB293 has made Maryland the 8th state to ban this gruesome practice and preserve its treasured wildlife.

Sponsors: Sen. Ron Young (D); Del. Dana Stein (D)

Status: Passed into law without the Governor's signature and is effective July 1, 2021

Humane Cosmetics Testing

A ✓ indicates a vote in favor of SB282/HB611, an Act concerning Prohibition on Testing Cosmetics on Animals. These tests performed on rabbits, guinea pigs, rats and mice are intensely cruel, and are unreliable predictors of effects on humans. Cosmetic companies can choose from thousands of ingredients already known to be safe for humans. For new ingredients, animal tests are simply unnecessary since many alternative methods – more humane, faster to perform, and less costly to industry – are available to ensure products are safe for human use. Nearly 2 billion consumers live in countries that have already adopted similar restrictions, and seven states (CA, NV, IL, VA, MD, ME, and HI) now have laws that will prohibit the sale of animal-tested cosmetics. SB282/HB611 has made Maryland the 5th state to prohibit the selling, offering for sale, or transporting of any cosmetic if a component ingredient was subject to new animal testing in 2022.

Sponsors: Sen. Clarence Lam (D); Del. Terri Hill (D)

Status: Passed into law without the Governor's signature and is effective January 1, 2022

Balloon Release Ban

A ✓ indicates a vote in favor of SB716/HB391, an Act concerning the Prohibition on Releasing a Balloon Into the Atmosphere. Honoring a celebration or memorial by releasing decorative balloons may seem harmless, but this is not the case for animals who ingest or become entangled in the litter. Once released, balloons can travel hundreds of miles before they burst or deflate, and the pain and suffering they may then cause a wide range of animals is staggering. SB716/HB391 has made Maryland the 6th state to establish civil penalties for helium balloon releases, defending the environment and the vulnerable animals left to suffer the consequences.

Sponsors: Sen. Mary Beth Carozza (R); Del. Wayne Hartman (R)

Status: Passed into law without the Governor's signature and is effective October 1, 2021

Animal Control Officer Training

A ✓ indicates a vote in favor of SB159/HB281, an Act concerning Education and Training Requirements for Humane Society and Animal Control Officers. As Animal Control Officers investigate cruelty and neglect, collect evidence, and handle a wide range of pets, equines, and exotic species, they serve a critical role protecting animals and entire communities. To do so safely requires adequate training. SB159/HB281 has made Maryland the 12th state to mandate that new officers receive continuing education on safe handling skills, animal behavior, and other subjects concerning the safety of animals and officers, alike.

Sponsors: Sen. Jeff Waldstreicher (D); Del. Mark Chang (D)

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Shelter in Extreme Weather

A ✓ indicates a vote in favor of SB122/HB81, an Act concerning Unattended Dogs in Extreme Weather Conditions. Currently, Maryland state law offers no protections for dogs left outdoors in extreme temperatures. The American Veterinary Medical Association recommends that no breed of dog be left in below-freezing weather, as even with an outdoor crate or shelter, extended exposure to brutally cold air can result in frostbite and hypothermia. Then in the summer months, heat stroke is another regular cause of death. This is one of the most commonly reported cases of animal cruelty in Maryland, but if SB122/HB81 is passed into law, it will make it a civil offense to leave a dog outside, unprotected, and unattended for over 30 minutes in weather conditions deemed unsafe.

Sponsors: Sen Ben Kramer (D); Del Mary Lehman (D)

Status: Passed the House but did not move out of Senate committee

Spay/Neuter Fund

A ✓ indicates a vote in favor of renewing the Spay/Neuter Fund (HB146). After 9 years of successfully reducing stray populations, strains on shelters, and the need to euthanize vulnerable animals, Maryland's critical Spay/Neuter program is slated to sunset in September 2022. Since its inception the fund has awarded over \$5 million in grants to local governments and animal protection nonprofits, using fees collected from pet food companies doing business in Maryland, and is anticipated to fund over 100,000 spay and neuter surgeries by the end of 2022. If HB146 passes to renew the program, it will continue to support low-income pet owners, lessen the burden on streets, and save innocent animal lives.

Sponsors: Del. Mary Lehman (D)

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Humane Society Legislative Fund

The Humane Society Legislative Fund was formed in 2004 as a separate lobbying affiliate of The Humane Society of the United States. HSLF works to pass animal protection laws at the state and federal levels, to educate the public about animal protection issues, and to support humane candidates for office.

HSLF is a social welfare organization incorporated under section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code. Contributions or gifts to HSLF are not tax deductible. Your donation may be used for lobbying to pass laws to protect animals, as well as for political purposes, such as supporting or opposing candidates.

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**Maryland Humane Scorecard
Senate**

	Wildlife Killing Contests Vote	Cosmetics Testing Vote	Balloon Release Ban Vote	Animal Control Officer Training Vote	Score
George C. Edwards (R-1)	X	✓	X	✓	50%
Paul Corderman (R-2)	X	✓	X	✓	50%
Ronald N. Young (D-3)	SP	✓	✓	✓	100%
Michael Hough (R-4)	X	✓	X	✓	50%
Justin Ready (R-5)	X	✓	X	✓	50%
Johnny Ray Salling (R-6)	X	✓	✓	✓	75%
J.B. Jennings (R-7)	✓	✓	X	✓	75%
Katherine Klausmeier (D-8)	✓	✓	X	✓	75%
Katie Fry Hester (D-9)	E	✓	✓	✓	100%
Delores G. Kelley (D-10)	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Shelly Hettleman (D-11)	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Clarence K. Lam (D-12)	✓	SP	✓	✓	100%
Guy Guzzone (D-13)	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Craig J. Zucker (D-14)	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Brian J. Feldman (D-15)	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Susan C. Lee (D-16)	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Cheryl C. Kagan (D-17)	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Jeff Waldstreicher (D-18)	✓	✓	✓	SP	100%
Ben Kramer (D-19)	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Will Smith (D-20)	✓	✓	X	✓	75%
Jim Rosapepe (D-21)	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Paul G. Pinsky (D-22)	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Douglas J.J. Peters (D-23)	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Joanne C. Benson (D-24)	✓	✓	X	✓	75%
Melony Griffith (D-25)	✓	✓	X	✓	75%
Obie Patterson (D-26)	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Michael Jackson (D-27)	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Arthur Ellis (D-28)	✓	✓	X	✓	75%
Jack Bailey (R-29)	X	✓	✓	✓	75%
Sarah Elfreth (D-30)	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Bryan Simonaire (R-31)	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Pamela Beidle (D-32)	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Ed Reilly (R-33)	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Bob Cassilly (R-34)	X	✓	✓	✓	75%
Jason Gallion (R-35)	X	✓	✓	✓	75%
Stephen S. Hershey, Jr. (R-36)	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%

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Adelaide Eckardt (R-37)	X	✓	✓	✓	75%
Mary Beth Carozza (R-38)	✓	✓	SP	✓	100%
Nancy J. King (D-39)	✓	✓	X	✓	75%
Antonio Hayes (D-40)	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Jill P. Carter (D-41)	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Chris West (R-42)	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Mary Washington (D-43)	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Charles E. Sydnor III (D-44)	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Cory McCray (D-45)	✓	✓	X	✓	75%
Bill Ferguson (D-46)	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Malcolm Augustine (D-47)	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%

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House of Delegates**

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Wendell Beitzel (R-1A)	X	X	X	X	✓	✓	33%
Jason C. Buckel (R-1B)	X	X	X	✓	✓	✓	50%
Mike McKay (R-1C)	X	X	X	X	✓	✓	33%
Neil Parrott (R-2A)	X	X	X	X	✓	X	17%
William Wivell (R-2A)	X	X	X	X	✓	X	17%
Brenda Thiam (R-2B)	X	X	X	✓	✓	✓	50%
Carol Krimm (D-3A)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Karen Lewis Young (D-3A)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Ken Kerr (D-3B)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Barrie Ciliberti (R-4)	X	X	X	E	✓	E	25%
Dan Cox (R-4)	X	E	X	X	✓	X	20%
Jesse Pippy (R-4)	X	X	X	X	✓	X	17%
Susan Krebs (R-5)	✓	X	X	✓	✓	✓	67%
April Rose (R-5)	X	X	X	E	✓	E	25%
Haven N. Shoemaker (R-5)	X	X	X	✓	✓	✓	50%
Robin L. Grammer, Jr. (R-6)	NV	X	X	E	✓	E	25%
Bob Long (R-6)	X	NV	NV	✓	✓	✓	50%
Ric Metzgar (R-6)	✓	X	X	✓	✓	✓	67%
Lauren Arikan (R-7)	X	X	X	✓	✓	X	33%
Rick Impallaria (R-7)	X	X	X	✓	✓	X	33%
Kathy Szeliga (R-7)	✓	X	X	✓	✓	✓	67%
Harry Bhandari (D-8)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Joseph Boteler III (R-8)	X	X	X	X	✓	X	17%
Carl Jackson (D-8)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Trent Kittleman (R-9A)	✓	E	X	X	✓	✓	60%
Reid Novotny (R-9A)	X	X	X	✓	✓	✓	50%
Courtney Watson (D-9B)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Benjamin Brooks (D-10)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Jay Jalisi (D-10)	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	83%
Adrienne Jones (D-10)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Lisa Belcastro (D-11)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Jon Cardin (D-11)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Dana Stein (D-11)	SP	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Eric Ebersole (D-12)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Jessica Feldmark (D-12)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Terri L. Hill (D-12)	✓	SP	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%

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Vanessa Atterbeary (D-13)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Shane Pendergrass (D-13)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Jen Terrasa (D-13)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Anne Kaiser (D-14)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Eric Luedtke (D-14)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Pamela Queen (D-14)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Kathleen Dumais (D-15)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
David Fraser-Hidalgo (D-15)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Lily Qi (D-15)	✓	NV	✓	✓	✓	✓	83%
Ariana Kelly (D-16)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Marc Korman (D-16)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Sara Love (D-16)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Kumar Barve (D-17)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Jim Gilchrist (D-17)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Julie Palakovich Carr (D-17)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Alfred Carr (D-18)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	NV	83%
Emily Shetty (D-18)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Jared Solomon (D-18)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Charlotte Crutchfield (D-19)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Bonnie Cullison (D-19)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Vaughn Stewart (D-19)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Lorig Charkoudian (D-20)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
David Moon (D-20)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Jheanelle Wilkins (D-20)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Ben Barnes (D-21)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Mary Lehman (D-21)	✓	✓	✓	SP	✓	SP	100%
Joseline Peña-Melnyk (D-21)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Anne Healey (D-22)	✓	E	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Alonzo Washington (D-22)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Nicole Williams (D-22)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Geraldine Valentino-Smith (D-23A)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Marvin Holmes, Jr. (D-23B)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Ron Watson (D-23B)	✓	✓	✓	E	E	E	N/A
Erek L. Barron (D-24)	✓	✓	✓	E	✓	E	100%
Andrea Harrison (D-24)	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	83%
Jazz Lewis (D-24)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%

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Darryl Barnes (D-25)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Nick Charles (D-25)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Dereck Davis (D-25)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Veronica Turner (D-26)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Kris Valderrama (D-26)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Jay Walker (D-26)	E	E	E	NV	✓	E	N/A
Susie Proctor (D-27A)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Rachel Jones (D-27B)	✓	✓	✓	#	✓	#	100%
Mark Fisher (R-27C)	X	X	X	✓	✓	X	33%
Debra Davis (D-28)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Edith J. Patterson (D-28)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
C. T. Wilson (D-28)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Matt Morgan (R-29A)	✓	X	X	✓	✓	✓	67%
Brian Crosby (D-29B)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Jerry Clark (R-29C)	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	83%
Shaneka Henson (D-30A)	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	83%
Dana Jones (D-30A)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Seth Howard (R-30B)	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	83%
Ned Carey (D-31A)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Brian Chisholm (R-31B)	X	X	X	✓	✓	✓	50%
Nicholaus Kipke (R-31B)	✓	X	X	✓	✓	✓	67%
J. Sandy Bartlett (D-32)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Mark Chang (D-32)	✓	✓	✓	✓	SP	✓	100%
Mike Rogers (D-32)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Heather Bagnall (D-33)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Michael Malone (R-33)	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	83%
Sid Saab (R-33)	✓	X	X	✓	✓	✓	67%
Steve Johnson (D-34A)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Mary Ann Lisanti (D-34A)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Susan K. McComas (R-34B)	✓	X	X	✓	✓	✓	67%
Kevin Hornberger (R-35A)	X	X	X	NV	✓	NV	17%
Mike Griffith (R-35B)	X	X	X	✓	✓	✓	50%
Teresa Reilly (R-35B)	✓	X	X	✓	✓	✓	67%
Steve Arentz (R-36)	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	83%
Jeff Ghrist (R-36)	✓	X	X	✓	NV	✓	50%
Jay Jacobs (R-36)	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	83%

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Sheree Sample-Hughes (D-37A)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Christopher Adams (R-37B)	X	X	X	✓	✓	✓	50%
Johnny Mautz (R-37B)	X	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	67%
Charles J. Otto (R-38A)	✓	X	✓	X	X	✓	50%
Carl Anderton (R-38B)	X	X	✓	E	✓	E	50%
Wayne Hartman (R-38C)	X	X	SP	✓	✓	X	50%
Gabriel Acevero (D-39)	NV	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	83%
Lesley J. Lopez (D-39)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Kirill Reznik (D-39)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Marlon Amprey (D-40)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Frank M. Conaway, Jr. (D-40)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Melissa Wells (D-40)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Dalya Attar (D-41)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Tony Bridges (D-41)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Sandy Rosenberg (D-41)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Catherine Forbes (D-42A)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Michele Guyton (D-42B)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Nino Mangione (R-42B)	X	X	X	✓	✓	✓	50%
Curt Anderson (D-43)	E	E	E	E	E	E	N/A
Regina T. Boyce (D-43)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Maggie McIntosh (D-43)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Keith E. Haynes (D-44A)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Sheila Ruth (D-44B)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Pat Young (D-44B)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Talmadge Branch (D-45)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Chanel Branch (D-45)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Stephanie Smith (D-45)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Luke Clippinger (D-46)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Robbyn Lewis (D-46)	✓	✓	✓	E	✓	E	100%
Brooke Elizabeth Lierman (D-46)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Diana Fennell (D-47A)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Julian Ivey (D-47A)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Wanika Fisher (D-47B)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%

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