



# 2022 Scorecard

## for the Colorado General Assembly

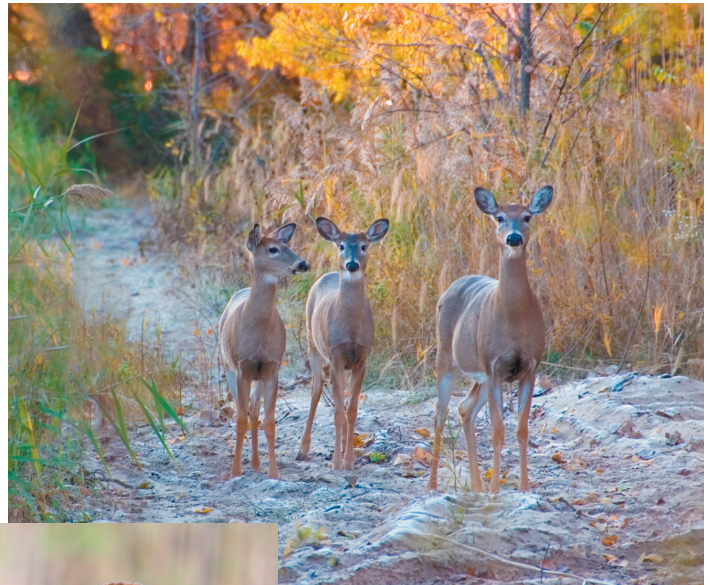
Whether it was due to 2022 being an election year, or there were other influencing factors, 2022 was a lackluster year for advancing animal protection laws. Several bills aimed at animal protection and welfare were either withheld from introduction or died in committee. Colorado Voters for Animals evaluates a lawmaker's "animal friendliness" based on the third reading (final) vote. Committee votes are typically not taken into consideration, as they only reflect how the committee members, and not the full legislature (Committee of the Whole), voted. However, bill sponsors may receive extra credit, even if the bill was not introduced or failed to pass out of committee.

## 2022 Bills

### SB-167 Affirm Greyhounds as Companion Pets

Position: **Support**  
Outcome: **signed into law**

When Greyhound racing was legal in Colorado the inspection of breeders fell under the authority of the Racing Commission, which made sense at the time. Although Greyhound racing was officially banned in 2014, Greyhound breeding was not, and oversight remained with the Racing Commission. Yet every other dog breeding facility was subject to regulation under PACFA, the Pet Animal Care Facilities Act, which has a much more rigorous set of care standards and requirements, as well as the ability to investigate breeder complaints. Colorado Voters for Animals testified in support of this bill that moves oversight from the Racing Commission to PACFA, thus ensuring that all dogs from commercial breeders in Colorado are afforded the same protection under the law. SB-167 was sponsored by Sen. Joann Ginal and Rep. Monica Duran



### SB-151 Safe Crossings For Colorado Wildlife And Motorists

Position: **Support**  
Outcome: **signed into law**

Colorado wildlife-vehicle collisions are estimated to cause almost \$1.1 billion a year in insurance claims, and around \$66 million a year in injury-related medical expenses, not to mention the loss of the ani-

mals involved. While Colorado's Department of Transportation has a robust wildlife corridor mitigation program, more funds are needed to create even more corridors to address the problem, as increases in vehicle traffic and land development forces wildlife into smaller and more concentrated areas. Colorado Voters for Animals testified in support of the bill, even though we were disappointed that the amount of the mitigation program request was reduced from \$25 million to \$5 million. This legislation was Sponsored by Sens. Jessie Danielson and Tammy Story, and the House sponsors were Reps. Perry Will and Julie McCluskie

## Other Bills (Not Scored):

### SB-131 Protect Health of Pollinators and People

Position: **Support**

Outcome: **defeated in committee**

CVA testified in support of this bill that would have implemented several measures to protect both pollinators and people from pesticide use. Provisions included restricting the use of pesticides on the grounds of schools and other children's facilities, prohibiting household use of certain neonicotinoid pesticides that are known to be harmful to bees, and requiring the Colorado Department of Natural Resources to conduct a study on ways to address the decline of pollinators in Colorado. The bill also contained provisions that would have made it easier for local governments to regulate pesticide use. SB-131 was sponsored by Sens. Sonya Jaquez Lewis and Kevin Priola. Reps. Cathy Kipp and Meg Froelich were the House sponsors.



## About the Voting Scores

The numerical score is the legislator's score on actual votes. The letter grade is our overall assessment of the legislator's performance. We considered votes, bill sponsorship, and any "behind-the-scenes" efforts affecting animal-related legislation. The "Other Factors" column recognizes some of these efforts, including sponsorship of bills that did not make it through the committee process.

The CLAW column indicates which legislators attended one or more meetings of the Colorado Legislative Animal Welfare Caucus during the session. CVA would especially like to recognize our CLAW Co-chairs, Sens. Joann Ginal, Larry Liston and Sonya Jaquez Lewis, and Reps. Monica Duran and Matt Soper.

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Bill Number			SB-167 Greyhounds as Pets		SB-151 Wildlife Crossings		Voting Score	Other Factors	CLAW Attendance	Letter Grade
Colorado State Representatives	Party	District	Votes	Sponsors	Votes	Sponsors				
Armabile, Judy	D	13	✓	*	✓	*	100%			A+
Bacon, Jennifer	D	7	✓		✓		100%			A
Baisley, Mark	R	39	✗		✓		50%			C-
Benavidez, Adrienne	D	32	✓		✓		100%			A
Bernett, Tracey	D	12	✓		✓	*	100%			A+
Bird, Shannon	D	35	✓	*	✓	*	100%			A+
Bockenfeld, Rod	R	56	✗		✓		50%			C-
Boesenecker, Andrew	D	53	✓	*	✓	*	100%			A+
Bradfield, Mary	R	21	✓		✓		100%		✓	A
Caraveo, Yadira	D	31	✓	*	✓	*	100%			A+
Carver, Terri	R	20	✓		✗		50%			C-
Catlin, Marc	R	58	✓		✓		100%			A
Cutter, Lisa	D	25	✓	*	✓	*	100%			A+
Daugherty, Lindsey	D	29	✓		✓		100%			A
Duran, Monica	D	24	✓	<b>PS</b>	✓		100%		✓	A++
Esgar, Daneya	D	46	✓		✓	*	100%			A+
Exum, Tony	D	17	✓	*	✓	*	100%			A+

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Colorado State Representatives continued	Party	District	Votes	Sponsors	Votes	Sponsors				
Froelich, Meg	D	3	✓		✓	*	100%	PS		A++
Garnett, Alec	D	2	✓		✓		100%			A
Geitner, Tim	R	19	✓		✗		50%			C-
Gonzales-Gutierrez, Serena	D	4	✓		✓	*	100%			A+
Gray, Matt	D	33	✓		✓		100%			A
Hanks, Ron	R	60	✗		✓		50%			C-
Herod, Leslie	D	8	✓		✓		100%			A
Holtorf, Richard	R	64	✓		✓		100%		✓	A
Hooton, Edie	D	10	✓	*	✓	*	100%			A+
Jodeh, Iman	D	41	✓	*	✓	*	100%			A+
Kennedy, Chris	D	23	✓		✓		100%			A
Kipp, Cathy	D	52	✓	*	✓	*	100%	PS	✓	A++
Larson, Colin	R	22	✓		✓		100%			A
Lindsay	D	42	✓	*	✓	*	100%			A+
Lontine, Susan	D	1	✓	*	✓	*	100%			A+
Luck, Stephanie	R	47	✓		✗		50%			C-
Lynch, Mike	R	49	✓		✓		100%			A
McCluskie, Julie	D	61	✓		✓	PS	100%			A++
McCormick, Karen	D	11	✓	*	✓	*	100%		✓	A+
McKean, Hugh	R	51	✓		✓		100%			A
McLachlan, Barbara	D	59	✓	*	✓	*	100%			A+
Michaelson Jenet, Dafna	D	30	✓		✓		100%			A
Mullica, Kyle	D	34	✓	*	✓	*	100%			A+
Neville, Patrick	R	45	✗		✗		0%			F
Ortiz, David	D	38	✓		✓		100%			A
Pelton, Rod	R	65	✓		✓		100%			A
Pico, Andres	R	16	✓		✗		50%			C-
Ransom, Kim	R	44	✓		✗		50%			C-
Rich, Janice	R	55	✗		✓		50%			C-
Ricks, Naquetta	D	40	✓		✓	*	100%			A+
Roberts, Dylan	D	26	✓		✓	S	100%			A+
Sandridge, Shane	R	14	✗		✗		0%			F
Sirota, Emily	D	9	✓	*	✓		100%		✓	A+
Snyder, Marc	D	18	✓		✓	*	100%			A+
Soper, Matt	R	54	✗		✓		50%		✓	C-
Sullivan, Tom	D	37	✓		✓		100%			A
Tipper, Kerry	D	28	✓	*	✓		100%			A+
Titone, Brianna	D	27	✓	*	✓	*	100%			A+
Valdez, Alex	D	5	✓	*	✓	*	100%		✓	A+
Valdez, Donald	D	62	✓		✓	*	100%			A+
Van Beber, Tonya	R	48	✓		✓		100%			A
Van Winkle, Kevin	R	43	✓		✗		50%			C-
Weissman, Mike	D	36	✓		✓		100%			A
Will, Perry	R	57	✗		✓	PS	50%			B-
Williams, Dave	R	15	e		✗		0%			F
Woodrow, Steven	D	6	✓		✓	*	100%			A+
Woog, Dan	R	63	✗		✓		50%			C-
Young, Mary	D	50	✓		✓	*	100%			A+

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Bridges, Jeff	D	26	✓	*	✓	*	100%			A+
Buckner, Janet	D	28	✓	*	✓	*	100%			A+
Coleman, James	D	33	✓		✓		100%			A
Cooke, John	R	13	✓		✗		50%			C-
Coram, Don	R	6	✓		✓		100%			A
Danielson, Jessie	D	20	✓		✓	<b>PS</b>	100%			A++
Donovan, Kerry	D	5	✓		✓	*	100%			A+
Fenberg, Stephen	D	18	✓		✓	*	100%			A+
Fields, Rhonda	D	29	✓		✓	*	100%			A+
Gardner, Bob	R	12	✓		✓		100%			A
Ginal, Joann	D	14	✓	<b>PS</b>	✓	*	100%		✓	A++
Gonzales, Julie	D	34	✓		✓		100%			A
Hansen, Chris	D	31	✓		✓	*	100%			A+
Hinrichsen	D	3	✓		✓		100%			A
Hisey, Dennis	R	2	✓		✓		100%			A
Holbert, Chris	R	30	✓		✓		100%			A
Jaquez Lewis, Sonya	D	17	✓	*	✓	*	100%	<b>PS</b>	✓	A++
Kirkmeyer, Barbara	R	23	✓		✗		50%			C-
Kolker, Chris	D	27	✓	*	✓	*	100%			A+
Lee, Pete	D	11	✓	*	✓	*	100%			A+
Liston, Larry	R	10	✓		✓	*	100%		✓	A+
Lundeen, Paul	R	9	e		✗		0%			F
Moreno, Dominick	D	21	✓	*	✓	*	100%			A+
Pettersen, Brittany	D	22	✓	*	✓	*	100%			A+
Priola, Kevin	R	25	✗		✓	*	50%	<b>PS</b>		B
Rankin, Bob	R	8	✓		✓	*	100%			A+
Rodriguez, Robert	D	32	✓		✓	*	100%			A+
Scott, Ray	R	7	✓		✗		50%			C-
Simpson, Cleave	R	35	✓		✓		100%			A
Smallwood, Jim	R	4	✗		✗		0%			F
Sonnenberg, Jerry	R	1	✗		✗		0%			F
Story, Tammy	D	16	✓		✓	<b>PS</b>	100%			A++
Winter, Faith	D	24	✓	*	✓	*	100%			A+
Woodward, Rob	R	15	✓		✗		50%			C-
Zenzinger, Rachel	D	19	✓	*	✓		100%			A+

**NOTE: The scores don't tell the whole story!** Sometimes a legislator is either more or less animal friendly than their score indicates. This is especially true during years when there are few animal-related bills available for scoring.

### About Colorado Voters for Animals

Colorado Voters for Animals is committed to animal protection through effective legislation. We support candidates and incumbents who align with these values. We advocate for humane legislation, oppose inhumane legislation, and educate the public on issues that affect animals.

Colorado Voters for Animals has a separate Small Donor Committee, established to help get humane candidates elected.