



Colorado General Assembly Voting Scores 2013 Regular Session

This report lists legislators' scores on animal-related legislation for the 2013 legislative session. The **numerical score** is the legislator's score on actual votes. The **letter grade** is our overall assessment of the legislator's performance. For the letter grade we considered votes, sponsorship or co-sponsorship of legislation that CVA supported or opposed, and any behind-the-scenes efforts that affected animal-related legislation.

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

2013 BILLS

HB-1125 Impoundment of Farm Animals

Position: **Oppose** **Outcome:** defeated in committee

Would have weakened Colorado's animal cruelty statute, making it much more difficult for law enforcement agencies to remove farm animals from situations of cruelty and neglect.

HB-1231 Prohibit Dairy Cow Tail Docking

Position: **Support** **Outcome:** passed committee only

Would have prohibited the cruel and unnecessary practice of docking the tails of dairy cows, unless a licensed veterinarian does the procedure for a therapeutic purpose, with anesthesia.

SB-201 Shelter Animals Official State Pet

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

Helps promote adoption of homeless animals by designating dogs and cats adopted from Colorado shelters and rescue organizations the "official state pets" of Colorado.

SB-226 The Dog Protection Act

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

Requires all Colorado law enforcement officers to complete a training course in dog behavior, and requires local police agencies to develop guidelines for encounters with family dogs in the line of duty.

KEY: ✓ = Pro-animal vote; ✗ = anti-animal vote; **S** = Bill sponsor; * = Co-sponsor; e = excused

Colorado State Representatives	Bill Number		HB-1125 Farm Animals	HB-1231 Tail Docking	SB-201 State Pet		SB-226 Dog Protection		Score	Letter Grade
	Party	District	Committee	Committee	Committee	Floor vote	Committee	Floor vote		
Buck, Perry	R	49	✗			✗		✓	33%	F
Buckner, John	D	40				e	✓	✓	100%	A-
Conti, Kathleen	R	38		✗		✗		✓	33%	F
Coram, Don	R	58	✗			e		✓*	50%	D+
Court, Lois	D	6				✓*	✓	✓ S	100%	A++
DelGrosso, Brian	R	51				✗		✓	50%	D
Dore, Timothy	R	64			✗	✗		✓	33%	F
Duran, Crisanta	D	5				✓		✓	100%	A-
Everett, Justin	R	22				✗		✓	50%	D
Exum, Thomas "Tony"	D	17				✓		✓	100%	A-
Ferrandino, Mark	D	2				✓		✓	100%	A-
Fields, Rhonda	D	42		✓		✗		✓*	67%	C+
Fischer, Randy	D	53	✓	*		✓		✓	100%	A+
Foote, Mike	D	12			✓	✓		✓*	100%	A

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Colorado State Representatives continued			Farm Animals	Tail Docking	State Pet	Dog Protection			
Party	District	Committee	Committee	Committee	Floor vote	Committee	Floor vote		
Garcia, Leroy	D	46	✓			✓	✓	100%	A-
Gardner, Bob	R	20				✓	✓*	100%	A
Gerou, Cheri	R	25				✓	✓	100%	A-
Ginal, Joann	D	52		✓*		✓*	✓*	100%	A+
Hamner, Millie	D	61				✓*	✓*	100%	A
Holbert, Chris	R	44				✗	✓	50%	D
Hullinghorst, Dickey Lee	D	10		*		✓*	✓*	100%	A+
Humphrey, Stephen	R	48		✗	✗	✗	✓	25%	F
Joshi, Janak	R	16		✗		e	✓	50%	D
Kagan, Daniel	D	3				✓	✓	100%	A
Kraft-Tharp, Tracy	D	29				✓*	✓	100%	A
Labuda, Jeanne	D	1		*	✗	✗	✓	33%	D
Landgraf, Lois	R	21				✗	✓*	50%	D+
Lawrence, Polly	R	39				✓	✓	100%	A-
Lebsock, Steve	D	34	✓	S		✓*	✓*	100%	A++
Lee, Sanford "Pete"	D	18		*		✓	✓	100%	A+
Levy, Claire	D	13				✓	✓	100%	A-
May, Jenise	D	30				✓	✓	100%	A-
McCann, Elizabeth "Beth"	D	8		✓*		✓	✓	100%	A+
McLachlan, Mike	D	59	✓			✓	✓	100%	A-
McNulty, Frank	R	43	✗			✓	e	50%	D
Melton, Jovan	D	41		*	✓	✓	✓	100%	A+
Mitsch Bush, Diane	D	26	✓			✓	✓	100%	A-
Moreno, Dominick	D	32			✓	✓	✓	100%	A-
Murray, Carole	R	45				✓	✓	100%	A-
Navarro, Clarice	R	47				✓	✓	100%	A-
Nordberg, Dan	R	14			✗	✗	✓	33%	F
Pabon, Dan	D	4				✓	✓*	100%	A
Peniston, Cherylin	D	35				✗	✓	50%	D
Petterson, Brittany	D	28				✓S	✓	100%	A++
Primavera, Dianne	D	33		✓*		✗	✓*	67%	B
Priola, Kevin	R	56				✗	✓	50%	D
Rankin, Bob	R	57	✗			✓*	✓	67%	C+
Rosenthal, Paul	D	9	✓	*		✓*	✓*	100%	A+
Ryden, Su	D	36			✓	✓	✓*	100%	A
Saine, Lori	R	63	✗			✗	✓	33%	F
Salazar, Joseph	D	31			✓	✓	✓	100%	A-
Schafer, Sue	D	24		✓		✓	✓*	100%	A
Scott, Ray	R	55			✗	e	✓	50%	D
Singer, Jonathan	D	11				e	✓*	100%	A
Sonnenberg, Jerry	R	65	✗S			✗	✓	33%	F
Stephens, Amy	R	19		✗		✗	✓	33%	F
Swalm, Spencer	R	37		✗		✗	✓	33%	F
Szabo, Libby	R	27				✗	✓	50%	D
Tyler, Max	D	23				✓*	✓*	100%	A
Vigil, Edward	D	62	✓			✓	✓	100%	A-
Waller, Mark	R	15				✗	✓	50%	D
Williams Angela	D	7			✓	✓	✓	100%	A-
Wilson, James "Jim"	R	60				✗	✓	50%	D
Wright, Jared	R	54				✓	✓	100%	A-
Young, Dave	D	50		✓		✓	✓	100%	A