



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.

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| Colorado State Representatives | Bill Number | | HB-1125 | HB-1231 | SB-201 | | SB-226 | | Score | Letter Grade |
|--------------------------------|-------------|----------|--------------|--------------|-----------|----------------|-----------|----------------|-------|--------------|
| | Party | District | Farm Animals | Tail Docking | State Pet | Dog Protection | State Pet | Dog Protection | | |
| | | | 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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| | | | Farm Animals | Tail Docking | State Pet | Dog Protection | | | | |
| Colorado State Representatives continued | Party | District | Committee | Committee | Committee | Floor vote | Committee | Floor vote | Score | Letter Grade |
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| 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 |

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| | Party | District | Farm Animals (No Senate Vote) | Tail Docking Co-sponsor | State Pet Committee | Floor vote | Dog Protection Committee | Floor vote | | |
| Aguilar, Irene | D | 32 | | | | ✓* | ✓ | ✓ | 100% | A |
| Balmer, David | R | 27 | | | | ✓* | | ✓S | 100% | A++ |
| Baumgardner, Randy | R | 8 | | | | ✗ | | ✓ | 50% | D |
| Brophy, Greg | R | 1 | | | | ✗ | | ✓ | 50% | D |
| Cadman, Bill | R | 12 | | | | ✗ | | ✓ | 50% | D |
| Carroll, Morgan | D | 29 | | * | | ✓ | | ✓ | 100% | A+ |
| Crowder, Larry | R | 35 | | | | ✓* | | ✓ | 100% | A |
| Giron, Angela | D | 3 | | | | ✓* | | ✓* | 100% | A |
| Grantham, Kevin | R | 2 | | | | ✗ | | ✓ | 50% | D |
| Guzman, Lucia | D | 34 | | * | | ✓* | ✓ | ✓* | 100% | A+ |
| Harvey, Ted | R | 30 | | | | ✗ | | ✓ | 50% | D |
| Heath, Rollie | D | 18 | | | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | 100% | A- |
| Hill, Owen | R | 10 | | | ✗ | ✗ | | ✓ | 33% | F |
| Hodge, Mary | D | 25 | | | | ✓ | | ✓ | 100% | A- |
| Hudak, Evie | D | 19 | | | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | 100% | A- |
| Jahn, Cheri | D | 20 | | | | ✓ | | ✓* | 100% | A |
| Johnston, Michael | D | 33 | | | ✓ | e | | ✓ | 100% | A- |
| Jones, Matt | D | 17 | | S | | ✓* | | ✓* | 100% | A++ |
| Kefalas, John | D | 14 | | | | ✓ | | ✓* | 100% | A |
| Kerr, Andy | D | 22 | | | ✓ | ✓S | | ✓ | 100% | A++ |
| King, Steve | R | 7 | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓* | 100% | A |
| Lambert, Kent | R | 9 | | | | ✗ | | ✓ | 50% | D |
| Lundberg, Kevin | R | 15 | | | | ✗ | ✓ | ✓* | 67% | C+ |
| Marble, Vicki | R | 23 | | | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | 100% | A- |
| Morse, John | D | 11 | | | | ✓ | | ✓ | 100% | A- |
| Newell, Linda | D | 26 | | | | ✓* | | ✓* | 100% | A |
| Nicholson, Jeanne | D | 16 | | | | ✓ | | ✓ | 100% | A- |
| Renfro, Scott | R | 13 | | | | ✗ | ✗ | ✓ | 33% | F |
| Roberts, Ellen | R | 6 | | | | ✓ | | ✓ | 100% | A- |
| Scheffel, Mark | R | 4 | | | | ✗ | ✗ | ✓ | 33% | F |
| Schwartz, Gail | D | 5 | | | | ✓* | | ✓ | 100% | A |
| Steadman, Pat | D | 31 | | | | ✓ | | ✓* | 100% | A |
| Tochtrop, Lois | D | 24 | | | | ✓* | | ✓* | 100% | A |
| Todd, Nancy | D | 28 | | * | ✓ | ✓* | | ✓* | 100% | A+ |
| Ulibarri, Jessie | D | 21 | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | 100% | A- |