

2010 Colorado State Legislature Voting Record

State House District 29 - Debbie Benefield (D)

Legislator's Votes on High-Priority Animal-Related Legislation

Bill or Resolution #	Description	Committee Vote(s)	Floor Vote(s)	CHVL Position(s)	Final outcome of legislation
HB10-1214	Creates the "adopt a shelter pet" special license plate for motor vehicles. Proceeds from the additional fees charged for the plate will benefit the state's Pet Overpopulation Fund.		Yes	Yes	Signed into law
HB10-1238	Allows the department of transportation, in consultation with the division of wildlife, to establish areas within the public highways of the state as wildlife crossing zones, in which moving violation penalties and surcharges are doubled.		Yes	Yes	Signed into law
SB10-080	Allows a court-entered civil protection order (restraining order) to include animals who may be harmed by an abuser. Amends the definitions of "abuse of the elderly or of an at-risk adult", "domestic abuse", and "protection order" as necessary to include threats or actions against animals.		Yes	Yes	Signed into law
SB10-172	Renews the Colorado income tax checkoff program that benefits the pet overpopulation fund, among others. This fund is used to pay for spay and neuter services in under-served communities.	Yes ¹	Yes	Yes	Signed into law
SCORES		100%	100%		
Legislator's Overall Score on CHVL's Top-Priority Legislation ~ 100% ~ A- (Numeric score is the legislator's score on actual votes. Letter grade reflects overall evaluation.)					

1. House Committee on Finance

Legislator's CHVL History

Legislator's overall voting record score in previous years tracked:

2005 ~ 100% (A) | 2006 ~ 100% (A-) | 2007 ~ 100% (A) | 2008 ~ 100% (A) | 2009 ~ 80% (B)

Legislator's scores on candidate questionnaires:

2004 ~ 46% | 2006 ~ 46% | 2008 ~ 54%