



GEORGIA CANINE COALITION, INC.
GEORGIA GENERAL ASSEMBLY END OF SESSION REVIEW
First Term 2019-2020

Below is the report of the end of the First Term of the Two-Year Session (2019-2120). If a bill did not pass this session, it can be considered in the next Session starting in January 2020.

HOUSE BILLS

HB 136-relating to general provisions regarding animal protection, so as to provide for photographic notification and breed of impounded animals on an animal shelter's website; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes. Assigned to House Agriculture and Consumer Affairs Committee. Did not move.

HB 582-relating to divorce, so as to create a pet animal care plan in marriage dissolution proceedings; to provide definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes. Assigned to House Judiciary Committee. Did not move.

HB 713- relating to control of rabies, so as to provide an exception for inoculation of canines and felines against rabies for animals for which such vaccine would compromise the animal's health; to provide a short title; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes. Assigned to House Agriculture and Consumer Affairs Committee. Did not move.

SENATE BILLS

SB 31- relating to general provisions regarding law enforcement officers and agencies, so as to clarify that law enforcement officers shall not be liable at law for an action or actions done while performing any duty at the scene of an emergency under certain circumstances; to provide for definitions; to provide for no liability of law enforcement officers for rescuing persons or pets out of certain vehicles; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes. Assigned to Public Safety. Passed the Senate. Passed the House by Substitute, signed by the Governor 4/28/19, effective 7/1/19.

SB 32- relating to general provisions relative to torts, so as to provide for conditions upon immunity from civil liability in instances of rendering emergency care; to limit liability for property damage caused by rescue or attempted rescue of animals locked in motor vehicles; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes. Assigned to Special Judiciary. Passed the Senate by Substitute. Did not pass the House.

SB 69- relating to general provisions regarding animal protection, so as to prohibit persons convicted of cruelty to animals after July 1, 2019, from obtaining pet animals; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting law; and for other purposes. Assigned to Special Judiciary. Did not move.

SB 76 – to amend various provisions of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated so as to redesignate veterinary technicians as veterinary nurses; to amend Chapter 50 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to veterinarians and veterinary technicians, so as to reenact the State Board of Veterinary Medicine, subject to appropriations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes. Assigned to Agriculture and Consumer Affairs. Reported out of Committee Favorably By Substitute. Did not move.

SR 476 A resolution to commend the benefits and contributions of purebred dogs and recognize May 1 as Georgia Purebred Dog Day at the Capitol. Sponsored by Senator Ellis Black. Passed.