



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

Below is the report of the end of the Second Term of the Two-Year Session (2019-2120). If a bill did not pass this session, it is "dead" unless reintroduced in January 2021.

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. Dead.

HB 371-Uniform rules of the road; securing or containing of live animals in the back of motor vehicles operated on certain highways; require. In March 2019 was Favorably Reported out of Committee, but then on April 2, 2019 House Withdrawn and Recommitted to Committee. Dead

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. Dead.

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. Dead.

HB 886- Animals; veterinarians or veterinary technicians that provide treatment to animals to scan such animals' microchips and to report ownership information under certain circumstances; require. Passed House, Senate Read and Referred to Committee on March 13 2020. Dead.

HB 999-State holidays and observances; Pure Bred Dog Day in Georgia; designate. Passed out of House Committee. Dead. We will bring this bill back up in January 2021.

## 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 and has been sent to the Governor. Signed by the Governor April 2019.

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. Dead.

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. Dead.

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. Senate Recommitted January 2020. Dead.

SB 338- to amend general provisions relative to animal protection, so as to provide for annual license fees; to authorize the Commissioner to promulgate rules and regulations; to provide for applicants to submit a criminal background check; to provide for surety; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes. Passed Senate as amended, with the amendments the GCC requested. House Committee, did not move. Dead.

SB 382- Purebred Dog Day in Georgia: designate. Read and Referred to Committee in 2020. Dead. We will bring this back up in January 2021.