



2021 Texas Legislation (as of 1/12/21)

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Bills by Issue

Animal Control (2)

State	Bill Number	Last Action
TX	HB 386	Filed 2020 11 09
Title Relating to the unlawful restraint of a dog; creating a criminal offense.		Introduction Date: 2020-11-09
Primary Sponsors Pacheco		

State	Bill Number	Last Action
TX	HB 873	Filed 2020 12 18
Title Relating to the unlawful restraint of a dog; creating a criminal offense.		Introduction Date: 2020-12-18
Primary Sponsors Collier		

BSL & Dangerous Dogs (1)

State	Bill Number	Last Action
TX	HB 100	Filed 2020 11 09
Title Relating to a petition for a municipal animal control authority to manage dangerous dogs and aggressive dogs in the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the municipality.		Introduction Date: 2020-11-09
Primary Sponsors Gervin-Hawkins		

Cruelty (1)

State	Bill Number	Last Action
TX	HB 708	Filed 2020 12 02

Title **Introduction Date:** 2020-12-02
Relating to creating the criminal offense of possession of an animal by a person who has been previously convicted of an offense involving animal cruelty.

Primary Sponsors
Shaheen

Dogs in Public (1)

State	Bill Number	Last Action
TX	HB 762	Filed 2020 12 08

Title **Introduction Date:** 2020-12-08
Relating to civil liability for removing certain individuals or animals from a motor vehicle.

Primary Sponsors
Israel

Rescue/Shelters (7)

State	Bill Number	Last Action
TX	HB 337	Filed 2020 11 09

Title **Introduction Date:** 2020-11-09
Relating to the intake and disposition records of animal shelters and releasing agencies.

Primary Sponsors
Rosenthal

State	Bill Number	Last Action
TX	HB 592	Filed 2020 11 17

Title **Introduction Date:** 2020-11-17
Relating to a sales and use tax exemption for animals adopted from or sold by animal rescue groups.

Primary Sponsors
Turner, Chris

State	Bill Number	Last Action
TX	HB 604	Filed 2020 11 18

Title **Introduction Date:** 2020-11-18
Relating to a microchip scan of animals in the custody of an animal shelter or releasing agency, including an animal rescue organization.

Primary Sponsors
Noble

State	Bill Number	Last Action
TX	HB 652	Filed 2020 11 24

Title **Introduction Date:** 2020-11-24
Relating to notice of an epizootic infectious disease occurring in an animal shelter.

Primary Sponsors
Paul

State	Bill Number	Last Action
TX	SB 197	Received By The Secretary Of The Senate 2020 11 16

Title **Introduction Date:** 2020-11-16
Relating to a sales and use tax exemption for animals adopted from or sold by nonprofit animal welfare organizations.

Primary Sponsors
Nelson

State	Bill Number	Last Action
TX	SB 227	Received By The Secretary Of The Senate 2020 12 02

Title **Introduction Date:** 2020-12-02
Relating to a sales and use tax exemption for animals adopted from or sold by animal rescue groups.

Primary Sponsors
Angela Paxton

State TX	Bill Number SB 276	Last Action Received By The Secretary Of The Senate 2021 01 04
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Title **Introduction Date:** 2021-01-04

Relating to notice of an infectious disease occurring in an animal shelter and the quarantine of certain infectious animals at the shelter.

Primary Sponsors

Hinojosa

Research/Testing (1)

State TX	Bill Number HB 121	Last Action Filed 2020 11 09
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Title **Introduction Date:** 2020-11-09

Relating to the adoption of cats and dogs previously used for research.

Primary Sponsors

Minjarez

Tethering (1)

State TX	Bill Number HB 399	Last Action Filed 2020 11 09
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Title **Introduction Date:** 2020-11-09

Relating to a dog's restraint and shelter.

Primary Sponsors

Shaheen

Working Dogs (2)

State TX	Bill Number HB 543	Last Action Filed 2020 11 12
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Title **Introduction Date:** 2020-11-12

Relating to the regulation of working animals by a political subdivision.

Primary Sponsors

White

State	Bill Number	Last Action
TX	HB 801	Filed 2020 12 10

Title **Introduction Date:** 2020-12-10
Relating to a certification program for assistance animals; authorizing fees; imposing a civil penalty.

Primary Sponsors
Cortez

Other (2)

State	Bill Number	Last Action
TX	HB 365	Filed 2020 11 09

Title **Introduction Date:** 2020-11-09
Relating to the limitation of liability for farm animal activities.

Primary Sponsors
Murr

State	Bill Number	Last Action
TX	HB 816	Filed 2020 12 14

Title **Introduction Date:** 2020-12-14
Relating to the creation of a commission to review certain penal laws of this state and to make certain recommendations regarding those laws, to criminal offenses previously compiled in statutes outside the Penal Code, to repealing certain of those offenses, and to conforming punishments for certain of those offenses to the penalty structure provided in the Penal Code; increasing the punishment for the criminal offenses of sedition, sabotage, and capital sabotage; imposing a civil penalty.

Primary Sponsors
Krause

Enforcement Actions (1)

State	Bill Number	Last Action
TX	HB 674	Filed 2020 11 30

Title **Introduction Date:** 2020-11-30
Relating to informing the public about the availability of provisions in protective orders, including provisions regarding pets and other companion animals.

Primary Sponsors
Liz Campos

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