

## Other Important Bills • June 2016

### AB 2305 (Bloom) – Protection of Orcas

Prohibits captive breeding of orcas in California, and prohibits orcas, other than those currently in captivity, from being held in captivity, and prohibits use of orcas for purposes of display, performance or entertainment purposes, with exceptions for education. **SUPPORT**

**Status: Passed Asm Water, Parks & Wildlife 12-1, re-referred to Rules Cmte.**

Tell your legislator that although SeaWorld has agreed to end its captive breeding program, company leadership can change and with it, so can company directions. The people of California and animal welfare advocates deserve the assurance that the captive breeding of orcas is permanent.

### SB 1416 (Stone) - Salton Sea restoration

Amended 3/28 Allows an individual to designate on his or her tax return a voluntary contribution to the Revive the Salton Sea Fund. The bill would require the Franchise Tax Board to revise the tax return form to include a space for the designation of contributions to the fund and to include specified information, including the purposes for which the contribution would be used. **SUPPORT**

**Status: Passed Senate Governance and Finance 7-0, now in Senate Appropriations.**

Tell your legislator that it is the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to clean up the Salton Sea, and this tax designation will ultimately have an effect on wildlife that depend on the Salton Sea.

### AB 2716 (Dodd) - CA Meat & Poultry Supplemental Inspection Act

Currently sets annual license renewal fees for custom livestock slaughterhouses and meat processing establishments. This bill would extend the current licensing and renewal provisions from January 1, 2017 until January 1, 2022. **NO POSITION**

**Status: Passed full Assembly 79-0. In Senates Rules to be assigned to a cmte.**

### SB 1191 (Berryhill) - "Wildlife Management Plan"

It's a long read with lofty language interspersed with conditions that make this a bill to facilitate and lock in hunting activities while ignoring viewing and photographing activities. For example, public meetings are to be held in locations where "participants" (aka hunters) are concentrated.

**OPPOSE**

**Status: Held in Senate Natural Resources Cmte, hopefully a dead bill.**

### **SB 1270 (Galgiani) - Diseased animals and poultry**

This bill would extend the Department of Food and Agriculture's fee schedule FROM January 1, 2017, to January 1, 2022. **NO POSITION**

**Status: Passed Senate Agriculture 5-0. Hearing in Senate Appropriations May 16.**

### **AB 1824 (Chang) - Service dogs**

Deletes requirement that service dog must be performing its duties if injured or killed by another dog for it to be a crime.

**Status: Passed Assembly 76-0. In Senate Appropriations. (Not a priority bill of Paw PAC)**

### **SB 1331 (Pavley) - Guide Dogs for the Blind**

Requires the State Board of Guide Dogs for the Blind to increase the board members who are blind to 3, and would require one representative from each of the 2 major consumer organizations representing Californians who are blind or visually impaired. **SUPPORT**

**Status: Passed Senate BP&E 8-0. Hearing 5/16 in Senate Appropriations. (Not a priority bill for Paw PAC)**

### **AB 2278 (Linder) - Seized/impounded animal**

This bill would make the owner or keeper of an animal that is seized for public safety reasons to be financially responsible to the seizing agency, and if the animal is impounded, to the impounding agency, for the entire cost of the seizure or impoundment of the animal, including costs associated with preparing and posting notices. **NEUTRAL**

**Status: Passed Assembly floor 79-0. In Senate Rules for assignment. (Not a priority bill of Paw PAC)**

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**SB 1282 (Leno & Allen) - Pesticides & bees**

Re pesticides; honey bee protection & restrictions.

**Status: Sent to SUSPENSE FILE, May or may NOT be heard and move forward.**

**AB 2760 (Mathis) - Landlord & tenant**

Re conditions and standards of a tenant who has a support animal. **OPPOSE**

**Status: Dead bill.**

**SB 1395 (Stone) - Crimes: increases animal felony penalties**

**Status: Dead bill.**

**AB 2052 (Williams)- Animal cruelty: makes technical changes**

**Status: Dead bill.**

**AB 2596 (Bloom) - Pesticides**

**Status: Dead bill.**

**AB 665 (Frazier) - from 2015**

Gives complete authority to Fish & Game and Department of Fish & Wildlife and removes the rights of cities and counties to adopt their own ordinances.

**OPPOSE**

**Status: Stalled bill, probably dead bill.**

**AB 1188 (Gipson) - from 2015**

Bans the possession and importation of any crocodile, alligator or kangaroo parts.

**Status: Dead bill.**

#### **AB 1543 (Brough) - Animal abuse fines**

Requires additional fines for animal abuse to be paid to the local public animal control agency that has jurisdiction over the location where the violation occurred, and to compensate the owner or caretaker of an animal that requires medical care, rehabilitation, or recovery as a result of the animal abuse. **SUPPORT**

**Status: INACTIVE, probably a dead bill.**

#### **AB 1792 (Wood) - Re Fish & Game Commission**

The commission shall allocate a specific number of elk tags to federally-recognized Indian tribes in California for the purpose of cultural or religious ceremonies or celebrations. Opens door for Indian 'guides' for tourist hunting.

**OPPOSE**

**Status: Sent to SUSPENSE file, probably a dead bill.**

#### **AB 976 (Steinorth) - Tax deduction for adopting qualified dog or cat**

Would allow a deduction, not to exceed \$100, under that law for the qualified costs paid or incurred by a taxpayer for the adoption of a qualified pet, as defined, ( ~~pit bulls, pit bull mixes, chihuahuas,~~ cats, and pets over 4 years), from a qualified animal rescue organization. **SUPPORT**

**Status: Held in cmte, probably a dead bill.**

#### **SB 237 (Anderson & Leno) - Related to Animal Control Officers**

**Status: INACTIVE, probably a dead bill.**

#### **SB 457 (Nielsen) - From 2015**

Amends Fish & Game Code.

**Status: INACTIVE, probably a dead bill**

#### **SB 1081 (Morrell) - Fish & Game Code**

Free hunting/fishing licenses for veterans.

**Status: Sent to SUSPENSE file, probably a dead bill.**

**AB 1844 (Gallagher) - Free hunting/fishing licenses for veterans**

Fish & Wildlife Dept. **OPPOSE**

**Status: Sent to SUSPENSE file, probably a dead bill.**

**SB 1188 (McGuire, Nielsen, Wolk)**

Requires CDFW to pay required tax and fees for Wildlife Management Areas.

**Status: Sent to SUSPENSE file, probably a dead bill.**

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION (Fuller) - "National Day of the Cowboy"**

**OPPOSE**

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