

2008 Colorado State Legislature Voting Record

State Senate District 14 - Bob Bacon (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 |
|-------------------------|--|-------------------|---------------|------------------|------------------------------|
| SB08-201 | Requires that calves raised for veal and pregnant pigs used by the pork industry be kept in a manner that permits such animals to stand up, lie down, and turn around without touching the sides of their enclosure. | | Yes | Yes | Signed into law |
| HB08-1042 | Exempts trained animal massage practitioners from the "Colorado Veterinary Practice Act." This means that trained animal massage therapists may not be prosecuted for "practicing veterinary medicine without a license," provided they do not perform veterinary functions such as diagnosing conditions or prescribing drugs. | | Yes | Yes | Signed into law |
| HB08-1185 | Requires that all dogs & cats adopted from shelters and rescue organizations in Colorado be spayed or neutered. | | Yes | Yes | Signed into law |
| HB08-1200 | Establishes criminal penalties for Internet hunting in Colorado. This applies not only to operating an Internet hunting facility (which was already made illegal by rule of the Colorado Wildlife Commission), but also to participating in a "hunt" from a computer located in Colorado. | | Yes | Yes | Signed into law |
| HB08-1304 Co-sponsor | Increases the penalties for killing a bald eagle. | | Yes | Yes | Signed into law |
| HB08-1308 | Allows a veterinarian to certify that a required vaccination is dangerous to the life or health of a companion animal, and requires such certification to be accepted in lieu of proof of vaccination for animal licensing purposes. States that licensing authorities may not require rabies vaccination more frequently than once every three years. | | Yes | Yes | Signed into law |

SCORES

N/A

100%

Note: Senator Bacon was the Senate sponsor of House bill 1149 (HB08-1149), a CHVL-supported bill, which would have allowed students to refuse to dissect, vivisect, incubate, capture, or otherwise harm an animal or any part of an animal as part of a classroom education project ("dissection project"). HB08-1149 was killed by the full House of Representatives during a floor vote.

**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.)**

Legislator's CHVL History

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

1999 ~ 75% | 2000 ~ 50% | 2001 ~ 83% | 2002 ~ 100% | 2005 ~ 100% (A-) | 2006 ~ 100% (A-) | 2007 ~ 100% (A-)

Legislator's scores on candidate questionnaires:

2000 ~ 72% | 2002 ~ Not a candidate | 2004 ~ Did not respond | 2006 ~ Not up for re-election