

## HR 1624

Puppy Protection Act of 2023

**Congress:** 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Animals

**Introduced:** Mar 17, 2023

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry. (Apr 19, 2023)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/118th-congress/house-bill/1624>

### Sponsor

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**Name:** Rep. Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [R-PA-1]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** PA • **Chamber:** House

**Cosponsors** (237 total)

<b>Cosponsor</b>	<b>Party / State</b>	<b>Role</b>	<b>Date Joined</b>
Rep. McGovern, James P. [D-MA-2]	D · MA		Mar 17, 2023
Rep. Panetta, Jimmy [D-CA-19]	D · CA		Mar 17, 2023
Rep. Reschenthaler, Guy [R-PA-14]	R · PA		Mar 17, 2023
Rep. Smith, Christopher H. [R-NJ-4]	R · NJ		Mar 22, 2023
Rep. Kildee, Daniel T. [D-MI-8]	D · MI		Mar 23, 2023
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Mar 27, 2023
Rep. Beyer, Donald S., Jr. [D-VA-8]	D · VA		Mar 27, 2023
Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		Mar 27, 2023
Rep. Davids, Sharice [D-KS-3]	D · KS		Mar 27, 2023
Rep. Nunn, Zachary [R-IA-3]	R · IA		Mar 27, 2023
Rep. Raskin, Jamie [D-MD-8]	D · MD		Mar 27, 2023
Rep. Salazar, Maria Elvira [R-FL-27]	R · FL		Mar 27, 2023
Rep. Santos, George [R-NY-3]	R · NY		Mar 27, 2023
Rep. Scanlon, Mary Gay [D-PA-5]	D · PA		Mar 27, 2023
Rep. Schneider, Bradley Scott [D-IL-10]	D · IL		Mar 27, 2023
Rep. Torres, Norma J. [D-CA-35]	D · CA		Mar 27, 2023
Rep. Torres, Ritchie [D-NY-15]	D · NY		Mar 27, 2023
Rep. Trone, David J. [D-MD-6]	D · MD		Mar 27, 2023
Rep. Carson, Andre [D-IN-7]	D · IN		Mar 28, 2023
Rep. Castro, Joaquin [D-TX-20]	D · TX		Mar 28, 2023
Rep. DelBene, Suzan K. [D-WA-1]	D · WA		Mar 28, 2023
Rep. Foster, Bill [D-IL-11]	D · IL		Mar 28, 2023
Rep. Gimenez, Carlos A. [R-FL-28]	R · FL		Mar 28, 2023
Rep. Krishnamoorthi, Raja [D-IL-8]	D · IL		Mar 28, 2023
Rep. Pocan, Mark [D-WI-2]	D · WI		Mar 28, 2023
Rep. Quigley, Mike [D-IL-5]	D · IL		Mar 28, 2023
Rep. Strickland, Marilyn [D-WA-10]	D · WA		Mar 28, 2023
Rep. Blunt Rochester, Lisa [D-DE-At Large]	D · DE		Mar 29, 2023
Rep. Gomez, Jimmy [D-CA-34]	D · CA		Mar 29, 2023
Rep. Neguse, Joe [D-CO-2]	D · CO		Mar 29, 2023
Rep. Costa, Jim [D-CA-21]	D · CA		Apr 3, 2023
Rep. Garcia, Jesus G. "Chuy" [D-IL-4]	D · IL		Apr 3, 2023
Rep. Kilmer, Derek [D-WA-6]	D · WA		Apr 3, 2023
Rep. McCollum, Betty [D-MN-4]	D · MN		Apr 3, 2023
Rep. Mullin, Kevin [D-CA-15]	D · CA		Apr 3, 2023
Rep. Ross, Deborah K. [D-NC-2]	D · NC		Apr 3, 2023
Rep. Scholten, Hillary J. [D-MI-3]	D · MI		Apr 3, 2023
Rep. Wild, Susan [D-PA-7]	D · PA		Apr 3, 2023
Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]	D · OR		Apr 6, 2023
Rep. Buchanan, Vern [R-FL-16]	R · FL		Apr 6, 2023
Rep. Carey, Mike [R-OH-15]	R · OH		Apr 6, 2023

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Rep. DeGette, Diana [D-CO-1]	D · CO		Apr 6, 2023
Rep. Espaillat, Adriano [D-NY-13]	D · NY		Apr 6, 2023
Rep. Jacobs, Sara [D-CA-51]	D · CA		Apr 6, 2023
Rep. Posey, Bill [R-FL-8]	R · FL		Apr 6, 2023
Rep. Waltz, Michael [R-FL-6]	R · FL		Apr 6, 2023
Rep. Budzinski, Nikki [D-IL-13]	D · IL		Apr 13, 2023
Rep. Caraveo, Yadira [D-CO-8]	D · CO		Apr 13, 2023
Rep. Chu, Judy [D-CA-28]	D · CA		Apr 13, 2023
Rep. Escobar, Veronica [D-TX-16]	D · TX		Apr 13, 2023
Rep. Houlahan, Chrissy [D-PA-6]	D · PA		Apr 13, 2023
Rep. Jayapal, Pramila [D-WA-7]	D · WA		Apr 13, 2023
Rep. Kim, Andy [D-NJ-3]	D · NJ		Apr 13, 2023
Rep. Lee, Susie [D-NV-3]	D · NV		Apr 13, 2023
Rep. Luna, Anna Paulina [R-FL-13]	R · FL		Apr 13, 2023
Rep. Pingree, Chellie [D-ME-1]	D · ME		Apr 13, 2023
Rep. Schiff, Adam B. [D-CA-30]	D · CA		Apr 13, 2023
Rep. Stanton, Greg [D-AZ-4]	D · AZ		Apr 13, 2023
Rep. Swalwell, Eric [D-CA-14]	D · CA		Apr 13, 2023
Rep. Wilson, Frederica S. [D-FL-24]	D · FL		Apr 13, 2023
Rep. Boyle, Brendan F. [D-PA-2]	D · PA		Apr 17, 2023
Rep. Courtney, Joe [D-CT-2]	D · CT		Apr 17, 2023
Rep. Malliotakis, Nicole [R-NY-11]	R · NY		Apr 17, 2023
Rep. Stansbury, Melanie Ann [D-NM-1]	D · NM		Apr 17, 2023
Rep. Levin, Mike [D-CA-49]	D · CA		Apr 19, 2023
Rep. Sherman, Brad [D-CA-32]	D · CA		Apr 19, 2023
Rep. Barragan, Nanette Diaz [D-CA-44]	D · CA		Apr 20, 2023
Rep. Casten, Sean [D-IL-6]	D · IL		Apr 20, 2023
Rep. Castor, Kathy [D-FL-14]	D · FL		Apr 24, 2023
Rep. Mast, Brian J. [R-FL-21]	R · FL		Apr 24, 2023
Rep. Pettersen, Brittany [D-CO-7]	D · CO		Apr 24, 2023
Rep. DeLauro, Rosa L. [D-CT-3]	D · CT		Apr 25, 2023
Rep. Gottheimer, Josh [D-NJ-5]	D · NJ		Apr 25, 2023
Rep. Sherrill, Mikie [D-NJ-11]	D · NJ		Apr 25, 2023
Rep. Slotkin, Elissa [D-MI-7]	D · MI		Apr 25, 2023
Rep. McClellan, Jennifer L. [D-VA-4]	D · VA		Apr 26, 2023
Rep. Stevens, Haley M. [D-MI-11]	D · MI		Apr 27, 2023
Rep. Carbajal, Salud O. [D-CA-24]	D · CA		May 2, 2023
Rep. Dingell, Debbie [D-MI-6]	D · MI		May 2, 2023
Rep. Williams, Brandon [R-NY-22]	R · NY		May 2, 2023
Rep. Bowman, Jamaal [D-NY-16]	D · NY		May 5, 2023
Rep. Frankel, Lois [D-FL-22]	D · FL		May 5, 2023
Rep. Harder, Josh [D-CA-9]	D · CA		May 5, 2023

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Rep. Lynch, Stephen F. [D-MA-8]	D · MA		May 5, 2023
Rep. Mace, Nancy [R-SC-1]	R · SC		May 5, 2023
Rep. McBath, Lucy [D-GA-7]	D · GA		May 5, 2023
Rep. Morelle, Joseph D. [D-NY-25]	D · NY		May 5, 2023
Rep. Norcross, Donald [D-NJ-1]	D · NJ		May 5, 2023
Rep. Ruppersberger, C. A. Dutch [D-MD-2]	D · MD		May 5, 2023
Rep. Ryan, Patrick [D-NY-18]	D · NY		May 5, 2023
Rep. Sánchez, Linda T. [D-CA-38]	D · CA		May 5, 2023
Rep. Allred, Colin Z. [D-TX-32]	D · TX		May 9, 2023
Rep. Bonamici, Suzanne [D-OR-1]	D · OR		May 9, 2023
Rep. Connolly, Gerald E. [D-VA-11]	D · VA		May 9, 2023
Rep. DeSaulnier, Mark [D-CA-10]	D · CA		May 9, 2023
Rep. Huffman, Jared [D-CA-2]	D · CA		May 9, 2023
Rep. Kelly, Robin L. [D-IL-2]	D · IL		May 9, 2023
Rep. Titus, Dina [D-NV-1]	D · NV		May 9, 2023
Rep. Velazquez, Nydia M. [D-NY-7]	D · NY		May 9, 2023
Rep. Williams, Nikema [D-GA-5]	D · GA		May 9, 2023
Rep. Adams, Alma S. [D-NC-12]	D · NC		May 10, 2023
Rep. Beatty, Joyce [D-OH-3]	D · OH		May 10, 2023
Rep. Brown, Shontel M. [D-OH-11]	D · OH		May 10, 2023
Rep. Garcia, Sylvia R. [D-TX-29]	D · TX		May 10, 2023
Rep. Moskowitz, Jared [D-FL-23]	D · FL		May 10, 2023
Rep. Perez, Marie Gluesenkamp [D-WA-3]	D · WA		May 10, 2023
Rep. Tokuda, Jill N. [D-HI-2]	D · HI		May 10, 2023
Rep. Steube, W. Gregory [R-FL-17]	R · FL		May 11, 2023
Rescom. González-Colón, Jenniffer [R-PR-At Large]	R · PR		May 11, 2023
Rep. Craig, Angie [D-MN-2]	D · MN		May 15, 2023
Rep. Crow, Jason [D-CO-6]	D · CO		May 15, 2023
Rep. Jackson, Jeff [D-NC-14]	D · NC		May 15, 2023
Rep. Matsui, Doris O. [D-CA-7]	D · CA		May 15, 2023
Rep. Meeks, Gregory W. [D-NY-5]	D · NY		May 15, 2023
Rep. Tlaib, Rashida [D-MI-12]	D · MI		May 15, 2023
Rep. Underwood, Lauren [D-IL-14]	D · IL		May 15, 2023
Rep. Doggett, Lloyd [D-TX-37]	D · TX		May 17, 2023
Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-7]	D · AZ		May 17, 2023
Rep. Higgins, Brian [D-NY-26]	D · NY		May 17, 2023
Rep. Lofgren, Zoe [D-CA-18]	D · CA		May 17, 2023
Rep. Nadler, Jerrold [D-NY-12]	D · NY		May 17, 2023
Rep. Peters, Scott H. [D-CA-50]	D · CA		May 17, 2023
Rep. Smith, Adam [D-WA-9]	D · WA		May 17, 2023
Rep. Jackson Lee, Sheila [D-TX-18]	D · TX		May 18, 2023
Rep. Meng, Grace [D-NY-6]	D · NY		May 18, 2023

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Rep. Moore, Gwen [D-WI-4]	D · WI		May 18, 2023
Rep. Cartwright, Matt [D-PA-8]	D · PA		May 22, 2023
Rep. Goldman, Daniel S. [D-NY-10]	D · NY		May 22, 2023
Rep. Kim, Young [R-CA-40]	R · CA		May 22, 2023
Rep. Lawler, Michael [R-NY-17]	R · NY		May 22, 2023
Rep. Magaziner, Seth [D-RI-2]	D · RI		May 22, 2023
Rep. Moulton, Seth [D-MA-6]	D · MA		May 22, 2023
Rep. Van Drew, Jefferson [R-NJ-2]	R · NJ		May 22, 2023
Rep. Veasey, Marc A. [D-TX-33]	D · TX		May 22, 2023
Rep. Johnson, Henry C. "Hank," Jr. [D-GA-4]	D · GA		May 23, 2023
Rep. Hayes, Jahana [D-CT-5]	D · CT		May 24, 2023
Rep. Kiley, Kevin [R-CA-3]	R · CA		May 30, 2023
Rep. Tonko, Paul [D-NY-20]	D · NY		May 30, 2023
Rep. Mfume, Kweisi [D-MD-7]	D · MD		Jun 6, 2023
Rep. Thompson, Mike [D-CA-4]	D · CA		Jun 7, 2023
Rep. Watson Coleman, Bonnie [D-NJ-12]	D · NJ		Jun 7, 2023
Rep. Correa, J. Luis [D-CA-46]	D · CA		Jun 9, 2023
Rep. Dean, Madeleine [D-PA-4]	D · PA		Jun 9, 2023
Rep. Golden, Jared F. [D-ME-2]	D · ME		Jun 9, 2023
Rep. Himes, James A. [D-CT-4]	D · CT		Jun 12, 2023
Rep. Hoyle, Val T. [D-OR-4]	D · OR		Jun 12, 2023
Rep. Kuster, Ann M. [D-NH-2]	D · NH		Jun 12, 2023
Rep. Soto, Darren [D-FL-9]	D · FL		Jun 12, 2023
Rep. Takano, Mark [D-CA-39]	D · CA		Jun 12, 2023
Rep. Bera, Ami [D-CA-6]	D · CA		Jun 14, 2023
Rep. Payne, Donald M., Jr. [D-NJ-10]	D · NJ		Jun 14, 2023
Rep. Larson, John B. [D-CT-1]	D · CT		Jun 20, 2023
Rep. Garamendi, John [D-CA-8]	D · CA		Jun 22, 2023
Rep. Lee, Summer L. [D-PA-12]	D · PA		Jun 27, 2023
Rep. Trahan, Lori [D-MA-3]	D · MA		Jun 27, 2023
Rep. Sorensen, Eric [D-IL-17]	D · IL		Jun 30, 2023
Rep. Thanedar, Shri [D-MI-13]	D · MI		Jun 30, 2023
Rep. Pascrell, Bill, Jr. [D-NJ-9]	D · NJ		Jul 6, 2023
Rep. Fletcher, Lizzie [D-TX-7]	D · TX		Jul 12, 2023
Rep. McGarvey, Morgan [D-KY-3]	D · KY		Jul 13, 2023
Rep. Balint, Becca [D-VT-At Large]	D · VT		Jul 25, 2023
Rep. Scott, Robert C. "Bobby" [D-VA-3]	D · VA		Jul 25, 2023
Rep. Nickel, Wiley [D-NC-13]	D · NC		Aug 8, 2023
Rep. Ciscomani, Juan [R-AZ-6]	R · AZ		Aug 22, 2023
Rep. Kamlager-Dove, Sydney [D-CA-37]	D · CA		Aug 22, 2023
Rep. LaLota, Nick [R-NY-1]	R · NY		Sep 5, 2023
Rep. Mrvan, Frank J. [D-IN-1]	D · IN		Sep 5, 2023

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Rep. Cárdenas, Tony [D-CA-29]	D · CA		Sep 8, 2023
Rep. Thompson, Bennie G. [D-MS-2]	D · MS		Sep 8, 2023
Rep. Jackson, Jonathan L. [D-IL-1]	D · IL		Sep 13, 2023
Del. Sablan, Gregorio Kilili Camacho [D-MP-At Large]	D · MP		Oct 6, 2023
Rep. Deluzio, Christopher R. [D-PA-17]	D · PA		Oct 6, 2023
Rep. Evans, Dwight [D-PA-3]	D · PA		Oct 6, 2023
Rep. Gallego, Ruben [D-AZ-3]	D · AZ		Oct 6, 2023
Rep. Ramirez, Delia C. [D-IL-3]	D · IL		Oct 6, 2023
Rep. Vargas, Juan [D-CA-52]	D · CA		Oct 6, 2023
Rep. Cleaver, Emanuel [D-MO-5]	D · MO		Oct 10, 2023
Rep. Eshoo, Anna G. [D-CA-16]	D · CA		Oct 10, 2023
Rep. Horsford, Steven [D-NV-4]	D · NV		Oct 10, 2023
Rep. Napolitano, Grace F. [D-CA-31]	D · CA		Oct 10, 2023
Rep. Ruiz, Raul [D-CA-25]	D · CA		Oct 10, 2023
Rep. Salinas, Andrea [D-OR-6]	D · OR		Oct 10, 2023
Rep. Sarbanes, John P. [D-MD-3]	D · MD		Oct 11, 2023
Rep. D'Esposito, Anthony [R-NY-4]	R · NY		Oct 12, 2023
Rep. Vasquez, Gabe [D-NM-2]	D · NM		Oct 12, 2023
Rep. Wasserman Schultz, Debbie [D-FL-25]	D · FL		Oct 12, 2023
Rep. Aguilar, Pete [D-CA-33]	D · CA		Oct 13, 2023
Rep. Frost, Maxwell [D-FL-10]	D · FL		Oct 13, 2023
Rep. Larsen, Rick [D-WA-2]	D · WA		Oct 13, 2023
Rep. Wexton, Jennifer [D-VA-10]	D · VA		Oct 18, 2023
Rep. Brownley, Julia [D-CA-26]	D · CA		Oct 19, 2023
Rep. Omar, Ilhan [D-MN-5]	D · MN		Oct 19, 2023
Rep. Pappas, Chris [D-NH-1]	D · NH		Oct 19, 2023
Rep. Sykes, Emilia Strong [D-OH-13]	D · OH		Oct 19, 2023
Rep. Foushee, Valerie P. [D-NC-4]	D · NC		Nov 6, 2023
Rep. Garcia, Mike [R-CA-27]	R · CA		Nov 8, 2023
Rep. Garcia, Robert [D-CA-42]	D · CA		Nov 8, 2023
Rep. Lee, Barbara [D-CA-12]	D · CA		Nov 8, 2023
Rep. Schakowsky, Janice D. [D-IL-9]	D · IL		Nov 8, 2023
Rep. McCormick, Richard [R-GA-6]	R · GA		Nov 9, 2023
Rep. Casar, Greg [D-TX-35]	D · TX		Nov 13, 2023
Rep. Clarke, Yvette D. [D-NY-9]	D · NY		Nov 13, 2023
Rep. Leger Fernandez, Teresa [D-NM-3]	D · NM		Nov 13, 2023
Rep. Nehls, Troy E. [R-TX-22]	R · TX		Nov 13, 2023
Rep. Pallone, Frank, Jr. [D-NJ-6]	D · NJ		Nov 14, 2023
Rep. Green, Al [D-TX-9]	D · TX		Nov 15, 2023
Rep. Keating, William R. [D-MA-9]	D · MA		Nov 15, 2023
Rep. Porter, Katie [D-CA-47]	D · CA		Nov 15, 2023
Rep. Cherfilus-McCormick, Sheila [D-FL-20]	D · FL		Nov 28, 2023

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Rep. Davis, Danny K. [D-IL-7]	D · IL		Nov 28, 2023
Rep. Khanna, Ro [D-CA-17]	D · CA		Nov 28, 2023
Rep. Lieu, Ted [D-CA-36]	D · CA		Nov 29, 2023
Rep. Neal, Richard E. [D-MA-1]	D · MA		Nov 29, 2023
Rep. Ivey, Glenn [D-MD-4]	D · MD		Nov 30, 2023
Rep. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ-8]	D · NJ		Nov 30, 2023
Rep. Phillips, Dean [D-MN-3]	D · MN		Nov 30, 2023
Rep. Lee, Laurel M. [R-FL-15]	R · FL		Dec 4, 2023
Rep. Landsman, Greg [D-OH-1]	D · OH		Dec 6, 2023
Rep. Spanberger, Abigail Davis [D-VA-7]	D · VA		Dec 7, 2023
Rep. Bishop, Sanford D., Jr. [D-GA-2]	D · GA		Dec 11, 2023
Rep. Amo, Gabe [D-RI-1]	D · RI		Dec 12, 2023
Rep. Hoyer, Steny H. [D-MD-5]	D · MD		Dec 13, 2023
Rep. Schweikert, David [R-AZ-1]	R · AZ		Dec 13, 2023
Rep. Gonzalez, Vicente [D-TX-34]	D · TX		Dec 19, 2023
Rep. Bush, Cori [D-MO-1]	D · MO		Dec 22, 2023
Rep. Waters, Maxine [D-CA-43]	D · CA		Dec 22, 2023
Rep. Auchincloss, Jake [D-MA-4]	D · MA		Jan 3, 2024
Rep. Suozzi, Thomas R. [D-NY-3]	D · NY		May 22, 2024
Rep. Kennedy, Timothy M. [D-NY-26]	D · NY		Jul 9, 2024
Rep. Carter, Troy A. [D-LA-2]	D · LA		Aug 16, 2024
Rep. Ocasio-Cortez, Alexandria [D-NY-14]	D · NY		Aug 20, 2024
Rep. Manning, Kathy E. [D-NC-6]	D · NC		Sep 6, 2024
Rep. Scott, David [D-GA-13]	D · GA		Sep 16, 2024
Rep. Kaptur, Marcy [D-OH-9]	D · OH		Sep 24, 2024
Rep. Pressley, Ayanna [D-MA-7]	D · MA		Oct 4, 2024
Rep. Schrier, Kim [D-WA-8]	D · WA		Nov 12, 2024
Rep. Crockett, Jasmine [D-TX-30]	D · TX		Dec 10, 2024

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 19, 2023

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Animals

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 S 5072	Related bill	<b>Sep 17, 2024:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry. (text: CR S6099-6100)

## **Puppy Protection Act of 2023**

This bill requires the Department of Agriculture to expand standards that govern the humane handling, care, treatment, and transportation of animals to include new requirements for commercial dog dealers. Specifically, the standards must require dog dealers to provide to dogs

- adequate housing, exercise, and veterinary care;
- appropriate and nutritious food;
- continuous access to potable water; and
- meaningful socialization with humans and compatible dogs for at least 30 minutes each day.

The standards must also include requirements for breeders to use safe breeding practices and make all reasonable efforts to find humane placement for retired breeding dogs.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Apr 19, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry.
- **Mar 17, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 17, 2023:** Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.