

BALLOT MEASURES ON ANIMAL PROTECTION SINCE 1990

(Bold signifies that animal advocates prevailed whether vote was “yes” or “no” / *Italics denotes referenda*)

Year	State	Issue	Ballot designation	Result	Yes	No
1990	California	prohibit sport hunting of mountain lions	Proposition 117	Approved	52%	48%
1992	Arizona	ban steel jawed traps and other body-gripping traps	Proposition 200	Rejected	38%	62%
1992	Colorado	prohibit spring, bait, and hound hunting of black bears	Amendment 10	Approved	70%	30%
1994	Arizona	prohibit steel jawed traps and other body-gripping traps	Proposition 201	Approved	58%	42%
1994	Oregon	ban bear baiting and hound hunting of mountain lions	Measure 18	Approved	52%	48%
1996	Alaska	ban same-day airborne hunting of wolves and foxes	Measure 3	Approved	58%	42%
1996	California	allow the trophy hunting of mountain lions	<i>Proposition 197</i>	Rejected	42%	58%
1996	Colorado	ban leghold traps and other body-gripping traps	Amendment 14	Approved	52%	48%
1996	Idaho	ban spring, bait, and hound hunting of black bears	Proposition 2	Rejected	40%	60%
1996	Massachusetts	restrict steel traps and other body-gripping traps, ban hound hunting of bears and bobcats and eliminate quota for hunters on Fisheries & Wildlife Board	Question 1	Approved	64%	36%
1996	Michigan	ban baiting and hounding of black bears	Proposal D	Rejected	38%	62%
1996	Oregon	repeal ban on bear baiting and hound hunting of bears and cougars	<i>Measure 34</i>	Rejected	42%	58%
1996	Washington	ban bear baiting and hound hunting of bears, cougars, bobcats, and lynx	Initiative 655	Approved	63%	37%
1998	Alaska	ban wolf snare trapping	Proposition 9	Rejected	36%	64%
1998	Arizona	prohibit cockfighting	Proposition 201	Approved	68%	32%
1998	California	ban the use of cruel and indiscriminate traps and poisons	Proposition 4	Approved	57%	43%
1998	California	prohibit slaughter of horses and sale of horse meat for human consumption	Proposition 6	Approved	59%	41%
1998	Missouri	prohibit cockfighting	Proposition A	Approved	63%	37%
1998	Ohio	restore the ban on mourning dove hunting	Issue 1	Rejected	41%	59%

1998	Utah	require 2/3 majority for wildlife ballot issues	<i>Proposition 5</i>	Approved	56%	44%
2000	Alaska	ban wildlife issues from ballot	Measure 1	Rejected	36%	64%
2000	Alaska	ban land-and-shoot wolf hunting	Measure 6	Approved	53%	47%
2000	Arizona	require 2/3 majority for wildlife ballot issues	Proposition 102	Rejected	38%	62%
2000	Massachusetts	ban greyhound racing	Question 3	Rejected	49%	51%
2000	Montana	prohibit new game farm licenses, ban canned hunts	Initiative 143	Approved	52%	48%
2000	Oregon	restrict steel traps and certain poisons	Measure 97	Rejected	59%	41%
2000	Washington	restrict steel traps and certain poisons	Initiative 713	Approved	55%	45%
2002	Arizona	expand gambling at greyhound tracks	Proposition 201	Rejected	20%	80%
2002	Arkansas	increase penalties for animal cruelty	Initiated Act 1	Rejected	38%	62%
2002	Florida	ban gestation crates for pigs	Amendment 10	Passed	55%	45%
2002	Georgia	specialty license plate for spay/neuter	Measure 6	Passed	71%	29%
2002	Oklahoma	ban cockfighting	State Question 687	Passed	56%	44%
2002	Oklahoma	increase signature requirement for animal issues	State Question 698	Rejected	46%	54%
2004	Alaska	ban bear baiting	Ballot Measure 3	Rejected	41%	59%
2004	Florida	expand gambling at race tracks	Amendment 4	Approved	51%	49%
2004	Maine	ban bear baiting, hounding, and trapping	Question 2	Rejected	47%	53%
2006	Arizona	ban gestation crates, veal crates	Proposition 204	Passed	62%	38%
2006	Michigan	allow mourning dove hunting	Proposal 3	Rejected	31%	69%
2008	Alaska	ban airborne hunting of wolves and bears	Measure 2	Rejected	45%	55%
2008	California	ban gestation crates, veal crates, and battery cages	Proposition 2	Approved	63%	37%
2008	Massachusetts	ban greyhound racing	Question 3	Approved	56%	44%
2010	Missouri	limits on puppy mills	Proposition B	Approved	52%	48%
2010	Arizona	block certain citizen initiatives on animal welfare	Proposition 109	Rejected	44%	56%
2010	North Dakota	ban canned hunts	Measure 2	Rejected	44%	56%

2012	North Dakota	increase penalties for animal cruelty	Measure 5	Rejected	35%	65%
2014	Missouri	constitutional “right to farm”	<i>Amendment 1</i>	Approved	50.1%	49.9%
2014	Michigan	allow wolf hunting	Proposal 1	Rejected	45%	55%
2014	Michigan	allow Natural Resources Commission to set hunting seasons on wolves and other protected species	Proposal 2	Rejected	36%	64%
2014	Florida	dedicate funds to conservation and wildlife habitat	Amendment 1	Approved	75%	25%
2014	Maine	ban bear baiting, hounding, and trapping	Question 1	Rejected	47%	53%
2015	Washington	ban trade in parts of elephants, rhinos, lions, pangolins, tigers, leopards, cheetahs, sharks, rays, marine turtles	Initiative 1401	Approved	70%	30%
2016	Oklahoma	establish a constitutional “right to farm” – to prohibit regulations on agriculture	<i>Question 777</i>	Rejected	39.7%	60.3%
2016	Massachusetts	restricts cages and crates for hens, pigs, veal calves	Question 3	Approved	78%	22%
2016	Oregon	restrict intrastate sale of ivory, rhino horns and parts from other rare wild animals	Measure 100	Approved	70%	30%
2016	California	maintain state ban on plastic bags which injure and kill sea birds and marine animals	Proposition 67	Approved	52%	48%
2016	Montana	restrict trapping on public lands	I-177	Rejected	37%	63%
2018	California	restricts cages and crates for hens, pigs, and veal calves	Prop 12	Approved	63%	39%
2018	Florida	phases out greyhound racing	<i>Amendment 13</i>	Approved	69%	31%
2024	Colorado	Bans trophy hunting of mountains, bobcats	TBD	TBD		

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