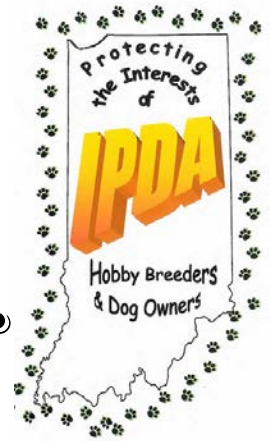


# INDIANA PUREBRED DOG ALLIANCE, INC.



## Newsletter - Summer 2015

The Indiana Purebred Dog Alliance (IPDA) was created on February 21, 2009 to protect the interest of hobby breeders, pet owners and exhibitors in Indiana. We formed for the long-term to continue defending our rights against legislation on all levels of government that could endanger our sport and the ownership of purebred dogs. Because of our efforts, the AKC recognized IPDA as a Federation Club. In partnership with the AKC, our efforts have been very successful. There are some challenges at the state, federal and local levels that prove again the need for Indiana purebred hobby breeders, dog owners and exhibitors to ban together. We are considered the voice of reason to our Indiana Legislators and stand ready to work hand-in-hand with them in resolving legislative issues that impact the dog fancy.

## 2015 Legislative Update

### On the Federal Level:

**Number:** US [R] HR 359 - Updated (Status 07/23/2015)

**Title:** [Veterans Dog Training Therapy Act](#)

**Sponsor:** Rep. Steve Stivers (REP-OH)

**Status:** [Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee by Voice Vote . - 07/22/2015](#)

**Number:** US [R] HR 528 - Updated (Status 03/04/2015)

**Title:** [Recreational Fishing and Hunting Heritage and Opportunities Act](#)

**Sponsor:** Rep. Dan Benishek (REP-MI)

**Status:** [Referred to the Subcommittee on Federal Lands. - 03/02/2015](#)

**Number:** US [R] HR 674 - Updated (Status 02/13/2015)

**Title:** [Pets on Trains Act of 2015](#)

**Sponsor:** Rep. Jeff Denham (REP-CA)

**Status:** [Referred to the Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials. - 02/04/2015](#)

**Number:** US [R] HR 746 - Updated (Status 02/28/2015)

**Title:** [Animal Welfare in Agricultural Research Endeavors Act](#)

**Sponsor:** Rep. Earl Blumenauer (DEM-OR)

**Status:** [Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock and Foreign Agriculture. - 02/27/2015](#)

**Number:** US [R] HR 926 - Updated (Status 03/07/2015)

**Title:** [To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the provision of guide dogs to veterans blinded by a service-connected injury.](#)

**Sponsor:** Rep. Mark Amodei (REP-NV)

**Status:** [Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. - 03/06/2015](#)

**Number:** US [R] HR 1258 - Updated (Status 04/01/2015)

**Title:** [Pet and Women Safety Act of 2015](#)

**Sponsor:** Rep. Katherine Clark (DEM-MA)

**Status:** [Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations. - 03/31/2015](#)

**Number:** US [R] HR 2269 - Updated (Status 06/06/2015)

**Title:** [Wildlife VET Act](#)

**Sponsor:** Rep. Alcee Hastings (DEM-FL)

**Status:** [Referred to the Subcommittee on Federal Lands. - 06/05/2015](#)

**Number:** US [R] HR 2293 - Updated (Status 06/03/2015)

**Title:** [Preventing Animal Cruelty and Torture \(PACT\) Act](#)

**Sponsor:** Rep. Lamar Smith (REP-TX)

**Status:** [Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations. - 06/01/2015](#)

**Number:** US [R] HR 2493 - Updated (Status 06/06/2015)

**Title:** [Wounded Warrior Service Dog Act of 2015](#)

**Sponsor:** Rep McGovern, James P. [MA-2]

**Status:** [Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. - 06/05/2015](#)

**Number:** US [R] HR 2849 - Updated (New 06/30/2015)

**Title:** [Pet Safety and Protection Act of 2015](#)

**Sponsor:** Rep Doyle, Michael F. [PA-14]

**Status:** [Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture. - 06/23/2015](#)

**Number:** US [R] HR 3174 - Updated (New 07/28/2015)

**Title:** [Fairness to Pet Owners Act of 2015](#)

**Sponsor:** Rep. Jason Chaffetz (REP-UT)

**Status:** [Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce. - 07/23/2015](#)

**Number:** US [R] HR 3193 - Updated (Status 08/07/2015)

**Title:** [Animal Emergency Planning Act of 2015](#)

**Sponsor:** Rep. Dina Titus (DEM-NV)

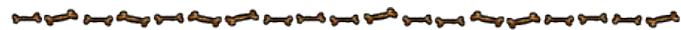
**Status:** [Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation and Forestry. - 08/06/2015](#)

**Number:** US [R] S 388 - Updated (New 02/20/2015)

**Title:** [Animal Welfare in Agricultural Research Endeavors Act](#)

**Sponsor:** Sen. Cory Booker (DEM-NJ)

**Status:** [Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry. - 02/05/2015](#)



## On the State Level:

Senator Brent Steele and five other Republican lawmakers have petitioned the Indiana Attorney General, Gregg Zoeller, to open an investigation regarding the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS). The HSUS has opposed several of Senator Steele's agriculture bills. The Senators accuse the HSUS of deceptive fund raising practices, stating its advertising misleads Hoosiers into believing that donations will benefit abandoned pets at local humane society shelters, which are not affiliated with the national group.

The Senators in addition to Brent Steele that joined in the petition are Susan Glick, Jean Leising, Mark Messmer, Carlin Yoder and Jim Tones.

According to HumaneWatch.org, 11 states' Attorney Generals are investigating. They include North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Minnesota, Iowa, Wisconsin, Illinois, Michigan, Indiana and Ohio.

IPDA is very pleased that Senator Steele and his colleagues took this bold step.

## Bills introduced in 2015:

**Title:** [Companion animal sterilization program.](#)

**Sponsor:** Rep. Michael Karickhoff (REP-IN)

**Abstract:** Companion animal sterilization program. Requires that a dog or a cat in an animal care facility be spayed or neutered before being adopted. Defines an "animal care facility" as an animal control center, an animal shelter, a humane society, or another animal impounding facility that has as its purpose the humane treatment of animals and that has dogs or cats that are available ...

**Status:** [Referred to Committee on Ways and Means pursuant to House Rule 127 - 01/20/2015](#)

**Number:** IN [R] SB 192 - Updated (Status 01/23/2015)

**Title:** [Animal fighting contests.](#)

**Sponsor:** Sen. Jim Arnold (DEM-IN)

**Abstract:** Animal fighting contests. Makes attending an animal fighting contest a Level 6 felony. Repeals the law that makes it cruelty to an animal, a Class A misdemeanor, for a person to attend a fighting contest involving animals.

**Status:** [Senator Steele added as second author - 01/20/2015](#)

**Number:** IN [R] SB 442 - Updated (Status 02/05/2015)

**Title:** [Hunting wildlife.](#)

**Sponsor:** Sen. Pete Miller (REP-IN)

**Abstract:** Hunting wildlife. Removes exotic mammals from the animals that may be propagated or offered for hunting at a shooting preserve. Makes it a Class C misdemeanor to: (1) engage in computer assisted remote hunting or provide or operate a computer assisted remote hunting facility; (2) use an unmanned aerial vehicle to search for, scout, locate, or detect wildlife as an aid to hunt ...

**Status:** [First Reading: referred to Committee on Natural Resources - 01/12/2015](#)

**Number:** IN [R] SB 508 - Updated (Status 05/13/2015)

**Title:** [Animals and agriculture.](#)

**Sponsor:** Sen. Brent Steele (REP-IN)

**Abstract:** Animals and agriculture. Defines ""equine massage therapy"". Provides that equine massage therapy is not included in the practice of veterinary medicine. Provides that an individual may not immunize an animal for a fee unless the individual is a veterinarian.

**Status:** [Public Law 211 - 05/13/2015](#)

To renew your IPDA membership, complete a membership application form and mail it to the address indicated. If you prefer to use PayPal, go to the above website and click on Membership.

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## IPDA Annual Meeting

We hold an annual meeting in the fall of each year. The date and time of the 2015 annual meeting will be forthcoming.

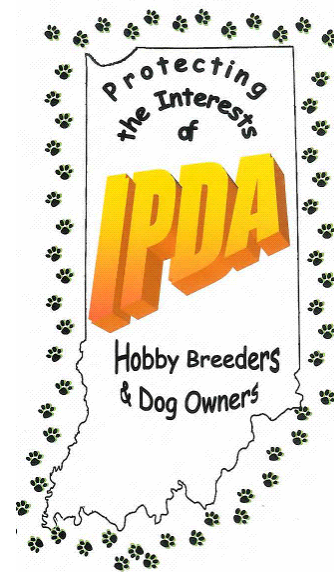
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## IPDA Membership Dues

You are invited to join IPDA. If you are a responsible hobby breeder and want to join us in our efforts to protect your rights to continue owning, breeding and exhibiting in the sport of purebred dogs, please join us. Memberships are on three levels: Individual, Family and Club. A membership application can be found at <http://inpurebreddogalliance.org> under Membership.