

WCC Legislative Commission Report

FROM: Pam DelaBar, Chair, WCC Legislative Committee

TO: Members, World Cat Congress

SUBJECT: Year-to-Date Legislative Committee Status Report

All but one member association has designated a member for the Legislative Committee. The two Australian associations have combined efforts under one representative.

Past actions include notifying associations of possibly adverse animal legislation which affects the countries/areas under their jurisdiction. There are several possible pending laws throughout the United States. The committee is still waiting for the laws pertaining to hybrid cats (specifically Bengals) in Australia. The reviews of the reports coming from the European Union pertaining to animal welfare have reached all twenty-nine EU member states. A copy of the most recent publication (88 pages of intensive reading) is provided with this report.

Though the time zone differences of the Legislative Team members encompass the globe, we will schedule a minimum of two Zoom meetings. The focus of these meetings will be to identify the best means to respond to legislation that is potentially adverse to the cat fancy. All members are highly encouraged to forward pending laws to the committee.

Respectfully submitted,
Pam DelaBar
Legislative Chair

Enclosure 1: EU proposals on dogs and cats.

<https://data.consilium.europa.eu/doc/document/ST-16198-2025-INIT/en/pdf>