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Working for Animals and Their Environment Since 1980

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Dear Friend of Paw PAC,

Hot off the press! Enclosed is Paw PAC's 2007 Voting Chart. Paw PAC is non-partisan. Legislators' grades on our Voting Chart are not based on politics, but on performance. Contact your Assembly member and Senator to either thank them for their good votes or express your disappointment in their bad votes. Your greatest power is as a constituent.

Paw PAC is unique. We were the first (1980) and are still the only political action committee for all animals, wild and domestic, to publish voting records and extensive endorsement lists. Many of you have been wonderful supporters for many years. But Paw PAC is an endangered species!

Please help with your donations of time and money. Send a Letter to the Editor about your legislators' grades. Attend candidate night gatherings. Let us know if you'd like more Voting Charts for your friends and neighbors. Host a Paw PAC reception in your home. Lastly and sadly, let us know if you no longer have an interest in animals and want to be removed from our mailing list. Donations, while very important, are not the determining factor in your membership. Action is equally important.

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2007 VOTING RECORD CALIFORNIA STATE LEGISLATURE

	Party District	Grade	AB 821 Condors Support	AB 828 Wildlife Support	AB 1477 Trapping Support	AB 1614 Rodeo Support	AB 1634 Dog/Cat Support	SB 63 Cloning Support	SB 880 Kangaroo Oppose	F & G Comm Support
Silva, Jim	R-67	F	--	--	--	-a	--	--	--	--
Smyth, Cameron	R-38	C-	--	--	+	+	--	--	+	--
Solorio, Jose	D-69	A	+	+	+	+	+	+	+a	--
Soto, Nell *	D-61	A-	+	+	a	+	a	+	--	--
Spitzer, Todd	R-71	C	--	--	+	+	--	--	+	--
Strickland, Audra *	R-37	D	--	--	--	+	--	a	a	--
Swanson, Sandre	D-16	A-	+	+	+	+	--	+	+	--
Torrico, Alberto	D-20	A-	+	+	+	+	+	+	--	--
Tran, Van	R-68	F	--	--	--	+	--	--	--	--
Villines, Michael	R-29	F	--	--	--	+	--	--	--	--
Walters, Mimi	R-73	F	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Wolk, Lois	D-8	B	+	+	+	+	--	+	--	--
SENATE										
Aanestad, Sam	R-4	F	--	--	--	+	--	--	--	--
Ackerman, Dick	R-33	F	--	--	--	-a	--	--	--	--
Alquist, Elaine	D-13	A+	+	+	+	+	--	+	+	--
Ashburn, Roy	R-18	F	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Battin, Jim	R-37	F	--	--	--	-a	--	--	--	--
Calderon, Ronald	D-30	B	+	+	+	+	--	--	--	--
Cedillo, Gil	D-22	B	+	+	+	-a	+	+	--	--
Cogdill, Dave	R-14	F	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Corbett, Ellen	D-10	A	+	+	+	+	--	+	+a	--
Correa, Lou	D-34	A+	+	+	+	+	--	+	+	--
Cox, Dave	R-1	F	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Denham, Jeff	R-12	F	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Ducheny, Denise	D-40	D	-a	+	+	-a	--	--	--	--
Dutton, Robert	R-31	F	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Florez, Dean	D-16	A-	+	+	+	+	--	+	--	--
Harman, Tom	R-35	F	--	--	-a	--	--	--	--	--
Hollingsworth, Dennis	R-36	F	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Kehoe, Christine	D-39	A-	+	+	+	+	--	+	--	--
Kuehl, Sheila *	D-23	A+	+	+	+	+	--	+	+	--
Lowenthal, Alan	D-27	A+	+	+	+	+	--	+	+	--
Machado, Michael	D-5	B	+	+	+	-a	--	--	+	--
Maldonado, Abel	R-15	C	--	+	-a	+	--	--	+a	--
Margett, Bob	R-29	F	--	--	--	-a	--	--	--	--
McClintock, Tom	R-19	F	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Migden, Carole *	D-3	A+	+	+	+	+	--	+	+	--
Negrete-McLeod	D-32	A-	+	+	+	+	--	+	--	--
Oropeza, Jenny	D-28	A-	+	+	+	+	--	+	--	--
Padilla, Alex	D-20	A-	+	a	+	a	--	+	--	--
Perata, Don *	D-9	A	+	-a	+	a	--	+	+	--
Ridley-Thomas	D-26	A-	+	+	+	+	--	+	--	--
Romero, Gloria	D-24	A-	+	+	+	+	--	+	--	--
Runner, George	R-17	F	--	+	--	--	--	--	--	--
Scott, Jack	D-21	A-	+	+	-a	+	--	+	+a	--
Simitian, Joe	D-11	A+	+	+	+	+	--	+	+	--
Steinberg, Darrell	D-6	A-	+	+	+	+	--	+	--	--
Torlakson, Tom	D-7	A-	+	+	+	+	--	+	--	--
Vincent, Edward	D-25	a	a	+	a	a	--	a	a	--
Wiggins, Pat	D-2	A-	+	+	+	+	--	+	--	--
Wyland, Mark	R-38	F	--	--	--	+	--	--	--	--
Yee, Leland	D-8	B	+	-a	+	+	--	+	--	--

+ = pro-animal vote
 -- = anti-animal vote

+a = abstention when "no" vote needed
 -a = abstention when "yes" vote needed

a = absent

* Legislators who actively supported animals in ways other than those reflected in these grades.

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**2007 LEGISLATOR OF THE YEAR
ASSEMBLYMAN PEDRO NAVA**

SPECIAL THANKS: Assemblymembers Patty Berg, Wilma Carter, Mervyn Dymally, Lloyd Levine, Pedro Nava, Ira Ruskin, Nell Soto, Audra Strickland, and Senators Sheila Kuehl, Carole Migden, Alex Padilla, Don Perata.

NO THANKS: Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger, Assemblymembers Tom Berryhill, Bill Maze, Nicole Parra, George Plescia, and Senators Ron Calderon, Dennis Hollingsworth, Darrell Steinberg.

AB 821 by Assemblyman Pedro Nava re: Condors. Support. Passed.
Prohibits lead shot in condor habitat.

AB 828 by Assemblyman Ira Ruskin re: Wildlife Corridors. Support. Vetoed.
Would have required the Wildlife Conservation Board to determine and protect important wildlife corridors.

AB 1477 by Assemblywoman Nell Soto re: Trapping. Support. Vetoed.
Would have required licensed wildlife trappers to have continuing education, release non-target animals, and inform clients of non-lethal options.

AB 1614 by Assemblywoman Audra Strickland re: Rodeos. Support. Passed.
Expands the coverage of existing law to include Charreadas (Mexican style rodeos) to have veterinarians available to treat injured animals.

AB 1634 by Assemblyman Lloyd Levine: Spay/Neuter. Support. Postponed.
Requires dogs/cats to be spayed/neutered unless they are service dogs, show dogs/cats, or too sick/old. Requires permits. May be heard in Senate in 2008.

SB 63 by Senator Carole Migden re: Cloned Animals. Support. Vetoed.
Would have required products from cloned farm animals to be labeled.

SB 880 by Senator Ron Calderon re: Kangaroos. Oppose. Passed.
Removes current prohibition against importation of kangaroo products.

Fish & Game Commission Appointment. Support. Failed.
Schwarzenegger administration and 34 legislators asked for and received resignation of Commissioner Judd Hanna who opposes lead shot.