



Arizona 2014 Legislative General Election Voter Guide

About General Election Endorsements

Humane Voters of Arizona (HVA) is an all volunteer, non-partisan organization that supports candidates who care about animals and animal protection. HVA does not provide endorsements for all legislative districts. In some district races HVA either does not endorse any of the candidates, or does not have information about the candidates. In such cases HVA has made no endorsements. In races in which HVA is making endorsements, those endorsements are based on a nonpartisan basis, considering voting records and questionnaires. Please note that we only have legislative reports for incumbents and former legislators. While we have requested completed surveys from all candidates, we only have questionnaires from those candidates who have chosen to respond to our request. Voting records, when available, are always given more weight than questionnaire responses. In races where there are no HVA endorsements, please refer to legislative reports (for incumbents and former legislators) and candidate survey responses.

“Single-Shot” Voting In AZ House of Representative races voters choose two representatives for each legislative district. In some districts where HVA has endorsed only one candidate, we recommend casting a single vote for the endorsed candidate, which will maximize that candidate’s odds against opponents where votes are otherwise split.

Please consider helping animal-friendly candidates by volunteering or donating to their campaigns. If you have questions or comments, please contact us at humanevotersarizona@cox.net.

HVA does not endorse federal candidates. For federal election endorsements visit the Humane Society Legislative Fund at www.hslf.org

Key

LD = Legislative District

(i) = Incumbent

* = Responded to HVA Questionnaire

Arizona State House of Representatives

LD 1: Frank Cuccia*

LD 2: Demion Clinco (i)
Rosanna Gaboldon (i)

LD 3: Marcario Saldate (i)

LD 4: Charlene Fernandez*

LD 5: Beth Weisser*

LD 6: Lanny Morrison*

Comments: Lanny Morrison's survey response was excellent, while his opponents, Representatives Barton and Thorpe, have poor voting records, and Barton sponsored the damaging livestock bill HB 2587. We recommend that you cast a "single-shot" vote for Lanny Morrison.

LD 7: Jennifer Benally*
Albert Hale (i)

Comments (LD 8): HVA greatly appreciates Rep. Pratt's sponsorship of bills to ban roadside animal sales. However, we are concerned that his voting record has declined over recent legislative sessions.

LD 9: Randall Frieese*
Victoria Steele (i)*

Comments: Incumbent Rep. Ethan Orr successfully led the effort to turn a proposed bill that would have benefitted the greyhound industry into one that benefits racing dogs. However, HVA has concerns about Rep. Orr's voting record on other animal-related measures.

LD 10: Stefanie Mach (i)
Bruce Wheeler (i)*

LD 11: Holly Lyon*

LD 12: DJ Rothans*

LD 14: James C. Burton*

LD 16: Cara Prior*

LD 18: Mitzi Epstein*

LD 19: Mark Cardenas (i)*

LD 20: Anthony Kern*
Amy Schwabenlender*

LD 22: Bonnie Boyce-Wilson*
Larry Woods*

LD 24: Lela Alston (i)*
Ken Clark*

LD 25: David Butler*

LD 26: Juan Jose Mendez (i)*
Andrew Sherwood (i)*

LD 27: Reginald Bolding*
Rebecca Rios*

LD 28: Eric Meyer (i)*

Comments: Rep. Eric Meyer is one of the legislature's strongest advocates for animals. He not only has a perfect animal-related voting record, he served on the legislative animal caucus and helped on many animal-related bills. His opponent, Rep. Kate Brophy McGee, sponsored the detrimental livestock bill HB 2587. We recommend that you cast a "single-shot" vote for Eric Meyer.

LD 29: Richard Andrade*
Ceci Velasquez*

LD 30: Jonathan Larkin (i)
Debbie McCune-Davis (i)*

Arizona State Senate

LD 2: Andrea Dalessandro (i)*

LD 3: Olivia Cajero Bedford (i)

LD 6: Tom O'Halleran*

Comments: Tom O'Halleran served in the Arizona Legislature from 2001-2008, where he had an excellent animal-related voting record and sponsored animal cruelty legislation. His opponent, former Sen. Sylvia Allen, had one of the worst animal-related voting records in the legislature (see HVA reports).

LD 7: Carlyle Begay (i)

LD 9: Steve Farley (i)

LD 10: David Bradley (i)*

LD 16: Scott Prior*

LD 17: Kristie O'Brien*

LD 18: Janie Hydrick*

LD 19: Lupe Chavira Contreras (i)

LD 20: Patty Kennedy*

LD 22: Archangel Muscato*

LD 23: John Kavanagh*

LD 24: Katie Hobbs (i)

LD 26: Ed Ableser (i)

LD 28: Kelli Butler*

LD 29: Martin J. Quezada*

LD 30: Robert Meza (i)