

## CANINE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE GUIDELINES

### PURPOSE:

The purpose of the BHCA Canine Legislation Committee is to provide pertinent legislative information that could negatively affect the welfare of Basset Hound Club of America, its members, clubs and affiliates and to alert our membership about potential legislation that would negatively affect dogs and their owners.

### GENERAL:

1. The Canine Legislation Committee will accomplish its charge by researching all information made available to the dog fancy community through the various media channels, the American Kennel Club and other appropriate sources such as the National Animal Interest Alliance or other groups concerned with legislation/regulations affecting dogs, dog ownership, and the dog fancy.
2. It will report the pertinent legislative and /or regulatory information to the affected membership of the club by state or locality via email or notice in social media. In addition, the committee will report these actions at a minimum of twice annually in conjunction with and prior to the BHCA spring and fall board meetings.
3. The committee will provide support to the membership upon request in drafting letters on behalf of the BHCA to legislative and regulatory bodies to address impacts of proposed legislation on members' dogs and dog activities.

### COMMITTEE:

The committee will consist of a chair and two members in good standing with the BHCA and AKC.

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