

SENATE COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL NO: SB 899

SPONSOR: McCreery

HEARING DATE: 2/25/2026

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| COMMITTEE: Families, Seniors and Health | |
| CHAIRMAN: Carter | |
| DATE REFERRED: 1/8/2026 | DATE HEARING REQUESTED: |

STAFF:

Sarah Haskins
Heidi Osner
Dennis Rhodes
Blake Thompson

WITNESSES GIVING INFORMATION:

Shannon Cooper - MO Cattlemans Assoc.

WITNESSES FOR:

Jay Haidinbrook - AARP
John Gaskin - Animal Legal Defense Fund
Aislinn McCarthy - MO Alliance for Animal Leg.
Cody Atkinson - Humane World For Animals
Matt Thompson - MO Network Against Child Abuse, Kids Win MO
Amy Graham - Wayside Waits
Chelsea Malcom - Child Protection Center
Claire Coughlin - Animal Welfare Institute
Claire Wyatt
Joellyn Klepacki
Christina Elmore - Missouri Animal Control Assoc.

WITNESSES AGAINST:

Tony Dugger - MO Pet Breeders Assoc.
Karen Strange - MO Federation of Animal Owners, Professional Pet Assoc.
Barb York - Missouri Animal Husbandry Assoc.

CHAIRMAN