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	Status	Federal Law	State Law	Local	Bill Docket Number	Year of Bill	Amendments	Methods of Enforcement	Summary
<b>List of Laws</b>									
Chimp Haven is Home Act	PASSED	X			S1916	2007		Legal - A lawsuit can be filed	A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act by prohibiting the removal of chimps from sanctuaries for to utilize them for research.
Animal Welfare Act	PASSED	X			7 USC 2131-2156	1966	1985 (3.75 to 3.92)	Legal - A lawsuit can be filed	Revised Standards to govern human handling, care, treatment and transportation of animals by dealers, research facilities and exhibitors. 3.75-3.92(3) attached in separate word document
Endangered Species Act	PASSED	X			7 USC 136,16 USC1531	1973		Legal - A lawsuit can be filed	Designed to provide for the conservation of species that are endangered or threatened throughout all or a portion of their range and the ecosystem on which they depend. Status: Both Endangered (wherever found in the wild) 10/19/1976 AND Threatened (wherever found in captivity): 03/12/1990.
Foreign Quarantine Regulations Relating to NonHumanPrimates	PASSED	X			42 CFR71.53	1975		Legal - A lawsuit can be filed	Since 1975 Federal Quarantine Regulations have restricted the importation of NonHumanPrimates. These restrictions also apply to the re-importation of NHP originating in the US.
Ownership and Possession of Dangerous Exotic Animals	PASSED		X		STATE			Legal - A lawsuit can be filed	23 States have regulations regarding the ownership of primates: AK (except Chimps), CA, CO, DC, FL (apes), GA, ID, IA, KY, LA, ME, MD, MA, MN, MT, NH,NJ, NM, NY, TN (partial), UT,VT, WA
Chimpanzee Health Improvement, Maintenance and Protection Act	PASSED				HR3514	2000		Legal - A lawsuit can be filed	First law to prohibit the killing of any nonhuman species in a laboratory for the convenience of the lab and establishes a federally funded "retirement" system. <a href="#">Note: There are two weaknesses in this legislation: no criteria exist for when chimps should be considered for retirement and the lab has discretion over when they should be considered for retirement. Prior to the The Chimp Haven is Home Act (2007) the chimps could be called back to the lab after retirement.</a>

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Monitoring Importation and Possession of Chimpanzees	PASSED				R657-3			Legal - A lawsuit can be filed	Department of Fish and Game and the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources determines whether a permit is required for primates. <a href="#">Note: Often the state laws will state they " require a permit unless: 1) municipal, county, State or other publicly owned zoo or wildlife exhibit 2) Privately owned traveling zoo, circus, pet shop. Also: Chimpanzees are often found in a category of animals that don't require permits along with domesticated animals such as dogs and cats</a>
State Animal Cruelty Laws	PASSED		X		STATE			Legal - A lawsuit can be filed	There is no specific protection of primates under these animal cruelty laws beyond an overarching set of general guidelines designed to encourage people to properly handle and care for animals.
Captive Primate Safety Act	PENDING (Passed House 6/08)	X			HR 2964			Legal + Budget for Additional Law Enforcement	Makes it unlawful for a person to sell or purchase a live animal of any protected wildlife species in interstate or foreign commerce. <a href="#">Note: Authorizes additional appropriations to the Secretary for FY2009 to hire additional law enforcement personnel of the US Fish and Wildlife Service</a>
Captive Primate Safety and Disabled Human Assistance Act	PENDING	X			HR 6505			Legal - A lawsuit can be filed	For the most part this is the same language as the Captive Primate Act. It appears that although the Captive Primate Act passed in the House it may not have passed in the Senate and so it was redesigned and resubmitted into committee under a new bill.
Great Ape Protection Act	PENDING	X			HR 5852			Legal - A lawsuit can be filed	Introduced to end invasive research on the 1200 chimpanzees remaining in laboratories, retire the approximate 600 federally-owned chimpanzees to a permanent sanctuary and make the recent decision by NIH to stop funding the breeding of federally-owned chimpanzees statutory

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Local Restrictions Governing Traveling Shows and Circuses in the US and Canada	N/A	N/A	N/A	X	N/A	N/A	N/A	Local Law Enforcement	15 states - <b>CA</b> - Encinitas, Huntington Beach, Marin Co., Newport Beach, Pasadena, Rohnert Park, Santa Ana - <b>CO</b> - Boulder - <b>CT</b> -Stamford - <b>FL</b> -Hollywood, Lauderdale Lakes, Pampona Beach - <b>HI</b> - Maui County - <b>IN</b> -St. John - <b>MD</b> - Takoma Park - <b>MA</b> - Braintree, Provincetown, Quincy, Revere, Weymouth, <b>MI</b> - Richmond, NY- Greenburgh, South Hampton, Wallkill - <b>NC</b> - Chapel Hill, Orange County - VT - Burlington - VA - Fairfax, Fairfax County, Spotsylvania County - WA - Redmond, Port Townshend, WI - Madison
Entertainment Guidelines -Film, TV, Commercials and Student Short film (no print media supervision)	N/A	N/A	N/A	X	N/A	1980	N/A	Certified animal safety representatives on set The withholding of the AHA acknowledgement in the credits of the movie. They have given unfavorable ratings and can call the local police.	<a href="#">SPECIAL NOTE: Contributors to special directives pertaining to the handling and care of primates (pg. 67-71 See attached Word Document): Kenneth Gold PhD Primatologist, Gail Laule, Principal Active Environments, Linda Brent PhD President of Chimp Haven, David Shephardson, PhD Conservation Program Scientist for the Oregon Zoo, Sian Evans PhD Director of DuMOnd Conservancy for Primates and Tropical Forests</a>