State by State Legislative Status

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Enacted Legislation

Arizona Benefit Corporation

Legislation: SB 1328
Key Supporters: Seed Spot
Quotes/Testimony: TBA

Arkansas Benefit Corporation

Status: Effective
Sponsors: Representative David Whitaker and Representative Deborah Ferguson
Legislation: HB 1515
Key Supporters: NA
Quotes/Testimony: TBA

California Benefit Corporation

Status: Effective
Sponsors: Assemblymember Huffman
Legislation: AB 941
Quotes/Testimony: Silicon Valley Leadership Group

Colorado Benefit Corporation

Status: Effective April 1, 2014. "Please note, registering as in a Benefit Corporation in Colorado may require you to register under the Colorado Charitable Solicitations Act. This was a determination made by the Secretary of State's Office, so please ensure your counsel reaches out to the Secretary of State before making the transition to benefit corp status. We are working with interested parties to clarify this position and ensure that Colorado requires the same the procedures as other states where the legislation has passed."
Sponsor: Representative Lee and Senator Kefalas
Legislation: HB13-1138
Key Supporters: The Alliance for a Sustainable Colorado, UL, LLC (Underwriters Laboratories) SB 182, UL, LLC (Underwriters Laboratories) SB 603, Green America
Quotes/Testimony: NA

Connecticut Benefit Corporation

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Delaware Benefit Corporation

Status: Effective
Sponsors: Senator Sokula
Legislation: 8847
Key Supporters: B Lab
Quotes/Testimony: TBA

Florida Benefit Corporation

Status: Effective
Sponsors: Senator Jeff Clemens, Representative Patrick Rooney, Jr.
Legislation: BB 209, HB 895
Key Supporters: The Florida Bar
Quotes/Testimony: TBA

Hawaii Benefit Corporation

Status: Effective
Legislation: 89 298
Key Supporters: Gary Hoeser

Illinois Benefit Corporation

Status: Effective
Legislation: 69289
Key Supporters: UL, LLC (Underwriters Laboratories)
Quotes/Testimony: TBA

Louisiana Benefit Corporation

Status: Effective
Legislation: 881177
Key Supporters: New Orleans Business Alliance
Quotes/Testimony: TBA

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Maryland Benefit Corporation

Status: Effective
Legislation: SB990/HB1009
Key Supporters: Jim Epstein, Michael Shuman

Massachusetts Benefit Corporation

Status: Effective
Sponsors: Senator Joyce
Legislation: SJ562
Key Supporters: Preserve, Sociel(x), Dimagi

Minnesota Benefit Corporation

Legislation: SF 2263, HF 2282
Key Supporters: TBA
Quotes/Testimony: TBA

Nebraska Benefit Corporation

Sponsors: Danielle Namken Conrad
Legislation: LB787
Key Supporters: NA
Quotes/Testimony: TBA

Nevada Benefit Corporation

Status: Effective
Sponsors: Assemblyman Bobzien
Legislation: AB399
Quotes/Testimony: Governor’s Office of Economic Development

New Hampshire Benefit Corporation

Sponsors: Senator Molly Kelly, Jeb Bradley, Andrew Hosmer and Sykko Lassen.
Legislation: SB215
Key Supporters: TBA
Quotes/Testimony: TBA
New Jersey Benefit Corporation

Status: Effective
Legislation: S275
Key Supporters: Natural Systems Utilities
Quotes/Testimony: Dominic Kulk, Natural Systems Utilities

New York Benefit Corporation

Status: Effective
Sponsors: Speaker Silver, Sen. Squadron
Legislation: A4692-a and S79-a
Key Supporters: A3BC, Buffalo First, Local First Ithaca, NYS B Corps, Singlebrook Technology
Quotes/Testimony: Speaker's Press Release

Oregon Benefit Corporation

Status: Effective
Sponsors: Secretary of State Kate Brown, Representative Tobias Read, Representative Jules Bailey
Legislation: SB 2796
Quotes/Testimony: Secretary of State Press Release

Pennsylvania Benefit Corporation

Status: Effective
Sponsors: Rep. Delinger
Legislation: HB1918
Key Supporters: SBN Philadelphia and the Fay-Penn Economic Development Council, Veritas, Dansko, and Ben Franklin Technology Partners
Quotes/Testimony: B Lab

Rhode Island Corporation

Status: Effective
South Carolina Benefit Corporation
Status: Effective
Legislation: H84746
Key Supporters: South Carolina Chamber of Commerce
Quotes/Testimony: TBA

Utah Benefit Corporation
Status: Signed, Effective May 13, 2014
Sponsors: Senator John Valentine
Legislation: SB133
Key Supporters: TBA
Quotes/Testimony: TBA

Vermont Benefit Corporation
Status: Effective
Sponsors: Sen. Shumlin, Sen. Miller
Legislation: S.263
Key Supporters: VBHR, VEOC, Merritt & Merritt & Moulton
Quotes/Testimony: Jeffrey Holender, Seventh Generation, Ben Cohen and Jerry Greenfield, Ben & Jerry’s, Jim Perston, Gardener’s Supply Company, Ken Merritt

Virginia Benefit Corporation
Status: Effective
Sponsors: Delegate McClellan, Delegate Biskup, Delegate Cline, Delegate Dance, Delegate Heffley, Delegate Kory, Delegate Longmire
Legislation: HB2358
Key Supporters: Impact Makers

Washington, DC Benefit Corporation
Status: Effective
Sponsor: Chairman Mendelson
Cosponsors: Councilmember Cheh, Councilmember M. Brown
Legislation: B18-544
Quotes/Testimony: TBA

West Virginia Benefit Corporation
Status: Effective
Sponsors: Senator John Unger
Legislation: SB202

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Introduced Legislation

Alaska Benefit Corporation
Status: Referred to House Labor and Commerce Committee.
Sponsors: Representative Paul Seaton
Legislation: HB 284
Key Supporters: NA
Quotes/Testimony: TBA

Alabama Benefit Corporation
Status: TBA
Sponsors: TBA
Legislation: TBA
Key Supporters: TBA
Quotes/Testimony: TBA

Georgia Benefit Corporation
Status: TBA
Sponsors: TBA
Legislation: TBA
Key Supporters: NA
Quotes/Testimony: TBA

Idaho Benefit Corporation
Status: TBA
Sponsors: TBA
Legislation: TBA
Key Supporters: TBA
Quotes/Testimony: TBA

Indiana Benefit Corporation
Status: Referred to Judiciary Committee in House
Sponsors: Representative Casey Cox
Legislation: HR 1230
Key Supporters: TBA
Quotes/Testimony: TBA

Iowa Benefit Corporation
Status: Referred to Judiciary Committee
Sponsors: Representative Charles Isenhart

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Kansas Benefit Corporation

Status: Referred to Committee on Commerce, Labor and Economic Development
Sponsors: House Committee on Commerce, Labor and Economic Development
Legislation: H3380
Key Supporters: TBA
Quotes/Testimony: TBA

Kentucky Benefit Corporation

Status: Passed House, Referred to State and Local Government Committee in Senate.
Sponsors: Representative Kelly Flood
Legislation: HB 58
Key Supporters: TBA
Quotes/Testimony: TBA

Michigan Benefit Corporation

Status: Referred to Committee on Commerce
Legislation: HR 4577, HR 4578
Key Supporters: TBA
Quotes/Testimony: TBA

Montana Benefit Corporation

Status: TBA
Sponsors: TBA
Legislation: TBA
Key Supporters: NA
Quotes/Testimony: TBA

Ohio Benefit Corporation

Status: TBA
Sponsors: TBA
Legislation: TBA
Key Supporters: NA
Quotes/Testimony: TBA

Puerto Rico Benefit Corporation

Status: Referred to Governmental Efficiency and Economic Innovation Committee.
Sponsors: Senator Ramón Luis Nieves-Pérez
Legislation: 59975
Key Supporters: NA
Quotes/Testimony: TBA

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Wisconsin Benefit Corporation

Status: TBA
Sponsors: TBA
Legislation: AB575
Key Supporters: TBA
Quotes/Testimony: TBA

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