

S 1125

Bear Protection Act of 2001

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Policy Area: Animals

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Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Jul 23, 2001
Sen. Warner, John [R-VA]	R · VA		Jul 23, 2001
Sen. Cantwell, Maria [D-WA]	D · WA		Aug 2, 2001
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Sen. Hatch, Orrin G. [R-UT]	R · UT		Aug 2, 2001
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA		Sep 4, 2001
Sen. Reid, Harry [D-NV]	D · NV		Sep 4, 2001
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Sen. Dodd, Christopher J. [D-CT]	D · CT		Dec 11, 2001
Sen. Feingold, Russell D. [D-WI]	D · WI		Dec 11, 2001
Sen. Boxer, Barbara [D-CA]	D · CA		Dec 20, 2001
Sen. Hagel, Chuck [R-NE]	R · NE		Dec 20, 2001
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Sen. Lincoln, Blanche L. [D-AR]	D · AR		Feb 12, 2002
Sen. Santorum, Rick [R-PA]	R · PA		Feb 27, 2002
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Environment and Public Works Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 28, 2001

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Animals

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jun 28, 2001)

Bear Protection Act of 2001 - Prohibits any person from: (1) importing bear viscera into, or exporting it from, the United States; or (2) selling bear viscera, bartering, offering it for sale or barter, or purchasing, possessing, transporting, delivering, or receiving it in interstate or foreign commerce. Subjects persons who violate such prohibitions to specified penalties. Waives such prohibition for wildlife law enforcement purposes where a valid permit has been issued. Requires the Secretary of the Interior to continue discussions concerning trade in bear viscera with the appropriate representatives of Parties to the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES) and with other representatives of countries that are not party to CITES which are determined to be the leading importers, exporters, or consumers of such products, in order to establish coordinated efforts with such countries to protect bears.

Declares that nothing in this Act shall affect State regulation of bear population or the lawful hunting of bears under State law.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 28, 2001:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jun 28, 2001:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S7090-7091, S7092-7093)
- **Jun 28, 2001:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works. (text of measure as introduced: CR S7091-7092)