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S 1298

Downed Animal Protection Act Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

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Sen. Chafee, Lincoln [R-RI]	$R \cdot RI$		Nov 20, 2003
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Sen. Fitzgerald, Peter [R-IL]	$R \cdot IL$		Feb 23, 2004
Sen. Inouye, Daniel K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Feb 23, 2004
Sen. Daschle, Thomas A. [D-SD]	D · SD		Feb 24, 2004
Sen. Snowe, Olympia J. [R-ME]	$R \cdot ME$		Feb 26, 2004
Sen. Campbell, Ben Nighthorse [R-CO]	R · CO		Mar 2, 2004

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 19, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Agriculture and Food

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 HR 2519	Identical bill	Jun 24, 2003: Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock and Horticulture.

Summary (as of Jun 19, 2003)

Downed Animal Protection Act - Directs the Secretary of Agriculture to promulgate regulations to provide for the humane treatment, handling, and disposition of nonambulatory livestock by a covered entity, including a requirement that nonambulatory livestock be humanely euthanized.

Provides that an entity shall: (1) not move nonambulatory livestock while such livestock is conscious; and (2) humanely euthanize such livestock.

Prohibits an establishment covered by the Federal Meat Inspection Act to pass nonambulatory livestock through inspection.

Defines "covered entity," and "humanely euthanize."

Actions Timeline

- Jun 19, 2003: Introduced in Senate
- Jun 19, 2003: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S8242-8243)
- Jun 19, 2003: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry. (text of measure as introduced: CR S8243)