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Virgie S. Arden American Horse Slaughter Prevention Act

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Sen. Mikulski, Barbara A. [D-MD]	$D\cdotMD$		Nov 14, 2006
Sen. Dayton, Mark [D-MN]	D · MN		Dec 6, 2006

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	Oct 25, 2005

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Related Bills

Bill R	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 503 R		Sep 21, 2006: Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 631.

Summary (as of Oct 25, 2005)

Virgie S. Arden American Horse Slaughter Prevention Act - Amends the Horse Protection Act to prohibit the shipping, transporting, moving, delivering, receiving, possessing, purchasing, selling, or donation of horses and other equines to be slaughtered for human consumption.

Authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture to detain for examination, testing, or the taking of evidence: (1) any horse at any horse show, horse exhibition, or horse sale or auction which is sore or which the Secretary has probable cause to believe is sore; and (2) any horse or other equine which the Secretary has probable cause to believe is being shipped, transported, moved, delivered, received, possessed, purchased, sold, or donated in violation of such prohibition.

Actions Timeline

- Oct 25, 2005: Introduced in Senate
- Oct 25, 2005: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S11824-11825)
- Oct 25, 2005: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.