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Animal Fighting Prohibition Enforcement Act of 2005

Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock and Horticulture. (May 19, 2005)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Ensign, John [R-NV]

Party: Republican • State: NV • Chamber: Senate

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Sen. Cantwell, Maria [D-WA]	D · WA		Feb 15, 2005
Sen. DeWine, Mike [R-OH]	R · OH		Feb 15, 2005
Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]	D · CA		Feb 15, 2005
Sen. Kennedy, Edward M. [D-MA]	D · MA		Feb 15, 2005
Sen. Kohl, Herb [D-WI]	D · WI		Feb 15, 2005
Sen. Kyl, Jon [R-AZ]	$R \cdot AZ$		Feb 15, 2005
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	D · VT		Feb 15, 2005
Sen. Lugar, Richard G. [R-IN]	$R \cdot IN$		Feb 15, 2005
Sen. Santorum, Rick [R-PA]	$R \cdot PA$		Feb 15, 2005
Sen. Specter, Arlen [R-PA]	$R \cdot PA$		Feb 15, 2005
Sen. Vitter, David [R-LA]	$R \cdot LA$		Feb 15, 2005
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	$R \cdot ME$		Feb 17, 2005
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	$D \cdot IL$		Feb 17, 2005
Sen. Johnson, Tim [D-SD]	D·SD		Feb 28, 2005
Sen. Lautenberg, Frank R. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Feb 28, 2005
Sen. Dayton, Mark [D-MN]	D · MN		Mar 1, 2005
Sen. Hagel, Chuck [R-NE]	$R \cdot NE$		Mar 1, 2005
Sen. Feingold, Russell D. [D-WI]	D · WI		Mar 2, 2005
Sen. Harkin, Tom [D-IA]	D·IA		Mar 10, 2005
Sen. Baucus, Max [D-MT]	D · MT		Mar 14, 2005
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA		Apr 4, 2005
Sen. Allard, Wayne [R-CO]	R · CO		Apr 6, 2005
Sen. Bayh, Evan [D-IN]	D · IN		Apr 6, 2005
Sen. Biden, Joseph R., Jr. [D-DE]	D · DE		Apr 6, 2005
Sen. Boxer, Barbara [D-CA]	D · CA		Apr 6, 2005
Sen. Gregg, Judd [R-NH]	$R \cdot NH$		Apr 6, 2005
Sen. Jeffords, James M. [I-VT]	I · VT		Apr 6, 2005
Sen. Levin, Carl [D-MI]	D · MI		Apr 6, 2005
Sen. Nelson, Ben [D-NE]	D · NE		Apr 6, 2005
Sen. Conrad, Kent [D-ND]	$D \cdot ND$		Apr 11, 2005
Sen. Dodd, Christopher J. [D-CT]	D · CT		Apr 11, 2005
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Apr 13, 2005
Sen. Warner, John [R-VA]	$R \cdot VA$		Apr 26, 2005
Sen. Clinton, Hillary Rodham [D-NY]	D · NY		Apr 27, 2005
Sen. Dorgan, Byron L. [D-ND]	D · ND		Apr 27, 2005
Sen. Mikulski, Barbara A. [D-MD]	$D\cdotMD$		Apr 28, 2005
Sen. Nelson, Bill [D-FL]	D·FL		Apr 28, 2005
Sen. Roberts, Pat [R-KS]	$R \cdot KS$		Apr 28, 2005
Sen. Sarbanes, Paul S. [D-MD]	$D\cdotMD$		Apr 28, 2005
Sen. Kerry, John F. [D-MA]	D · MA		May 17, 2005
Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]	D · OR		May 17, 2005

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Lieberman, Joseph I. [D-CT]	D · CT		Dec 12, 2005
Sen. Reed, Jack [D-RI]	D · RI		Dec 12, 2005
Sen. Snowe, Olympia J. [R-ME]	$R \cdot ME$		Dec 15, 2005
Sen. Inouye, Daniel K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Dec 19, 2005
Sen. Dole, Elizabeth [R-NC]	$R \cdot NC$		Jan 25, 2006
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		Feb 16, 2006
Sen. Coleman, Norm [R-MN]	$R \cdot MN$		Mar 1, 2006
Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Mar 29, 2006
Sen. Obama, Barack [D-IL]	D·IL		Apr 27, 2006
Sen. Carper, Thomas R. [D-DE]	D · DE		Nov 14, 2006

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	May 19, 2005
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Discharged From	Apr 29, 2005
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	May 10, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 817	Identical bill	May 18, 2006: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

Summary (as of Apr 29, 2005)

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Animal Fighting Prohibition Enforcement Act of 2005 - Amends the Federal criminal code to prohibit: (1) sponsoring or exhibiting a bird in a fighting venture in a State where it would not otherwise be in violation of the law, only if the person knew that any bird in the venture was knowingly bought, sold, delivered, transported, or received in interstate or foreign commerce for such purpose; or (2) knowingly sponsoring or exhibiting in an animal fighting venture any other animal that was moved in interstate or foreign commerce.

Prohibits knowingly: (1) selling, buying, transporting, delivering, or receiving, for purposes of transportation in interstate or foreign commerce, any dog or other animal to participate in an animal fighting venture; (2) using interstate mail service for commercial speech promoting an animal fighting venture except as performed outside the limits of the States (with an exception for bird fights in States whose laws allow them); or (3) selling, buying, transporting, or delivering in interstate or foreign commerce a knife, gaff, or other sharp instrument to be attached to the leg of a bird for use in an animal fighting venture.

Sets penalties of a fine under the code, two years' imprisonment, or both for violations of this Act. (Repeals conflicting provisions of the Animal Welfare Act.)

Actions Timeline

- May 19, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock and Horticulture.
- May 10, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- May 2, 2005: Received in the House.
- May 2, 2005: Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- May 2, 2005: Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Agriculture, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
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- Apr 29, 2005: Senate Committee on the Judiciary discharged by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR 4/28/2005 S4605-4606)
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- Apr 29, 2005: Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.(text: CR 4/28/2005 S4605-4606)
- Apr 29, 2005: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent. (text: CR 4/28/2005 S4605-4606)
- Feb 16, 2005: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S1500)
- Feb 15, 2005: Introduced in Senate
- Feb 15, 2005: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.