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HR 4239

Animal Enterprise Terrorism Act Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Hearings By (subcommittee)	May 23, 2006

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 S 1926	Related bill	Oct 27, 2005: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
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Summary (as of Nov 4, 2005)

Animal Enterprise Terrorism Act - Rewrites federal criminal code provisions regarding animal enterprise terrorism to prohibit anyone from traveling in, or using the mail or any facility of, interstate or foreign commerce for the purpose of damaging or disrupting an animal enterprise and, in connection with such purpose: (1) intentionally damaging, disrupting, or causing the loss of property used by or owned in connection with such enterprise; (2) intentionally placing a person in reasonable fear of death or serious bodily injury to that person or a family member through threats, vandalism, property damage, trespass, harassment, or intimidation; or (3) conspiring or attempting to do so. Prescribes escalating penalties.

Authorizes restitution for: (1) the reasonable cost of repeating any experimentation that was interrupted or invalidated as a result of such offense; (2) the loss of food production or farm income reasonably attributable to such offense; and (3) any other economic damage, including any losses or costs caused by economic disruption, resulting from such offense.

Actions Timeline

- May 23, 2006: Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- Feb 6, 2006: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- Nov 4, 2005: Introduced in House
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- Nov 4, 2005: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E2276)
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