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Animal Crush Video Prohibition Act of 2010

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Sep 27, 2010

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 HR 5566	Related bill	**Dec 9, 2010:** Became Public Law No: 111-294.
111 HR 5337	Related bill	**Jul 26, 2010:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
111 HR 5092	Related bill	**Jun 15, 2010:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.

Summary (as of Sep 27, 2010)

Animal Crush Video Prohibition Act of 2010 - Amends the federal criminal code to revise the prohibition against depictions of animal cruelty to prohibit anyone from knowingly creating an animal crush video, or attempting or conspiring to do so, if: (1) such person intends or has reason to know that such video will be distributed in, or using a means or facility of, interstate or foreign commerce; or (2) such video is distributed in, or using a means or facility of, interstate or foreign commerce. Prohibits the sale, marketing, exchange, or distribution of such videos in interstate or foreign commerce, or any attempt or conspiracy to do so.

Defines "animal crush video" as any photograph, motion picture, film, video or digital recording, or electronic image that: (1) depicts actual conduct in which one or more living non-human mammals, birds, reptiles, or amphibians intentionally crushed, burned, drowned, suffocated, impaled, or otherwise subjected to serious bodily injury; and (2) is obscene.

Extends the applicability of this Act to a person selling, marketing, advertising, exchanging, distributing, or creating animal crush videos outside the United States if: (1) such person intends or has reason to know that the animal crush video will be transported into the United States or its territories or possessions; or (2) the video is so transported. Imposes a fine and/or prison term of up to seven years for violations of this Act.

Exempts from the application of this Act: (1) any visual depiction of customary and normal veterinary or agricultural husbandry practices, the slaughter of animals for food, or hunting, trapping, or fishing; and (2) good faith distribution of an animal crush video to a law enforcement agency or a third party for the sole purpose of determining if referral to a law enforcement agency is appropriate.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 27, 2010:** Introduced in Senate
- **Sep 27, 2010:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S7509-7510)
- **Sep 27, 2010:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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