

S 462

Captive Primate Safety Act

Congress: 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Animals

Introduced: Feb 24, 2009

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works. (Feb 24, 2009)

Official Text: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/111th-congress/senate-bill/462>

Sponsor

Name: Sen. Boxer, Barbara [D-CA]

Party: Democratic • **State:** CA • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (8 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Vitter, David [R-LA]	R · LA		Feb 24, 2009
Sen. Lieberman, Joseph I. [ID-CT]	ID · CT		Feb 26, 2009
Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Mar 9, 2009
Sen. Ensign, John [R-NV]	R · NV		Mar 16, 2009
Sen. Burr, Richard [R-NC]	R · NC		Mar 17, 2009
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		Mar 18, 2009
Sen. Burris, Roland [D-IL]	D · IL		Apr 21, 2009
Sen. Sanders, Bernard [I-VT]	I · VT		Oct 22, 2009

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Environment and Public Works Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 24, 2009

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Animals

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 HR 80	Related bill	Jul 20, 2009: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 118.

Captive Primate Safety Act - Amends the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 to add nonhuman primates to the definition of "prohibited wildlife species" for purposes of the prohibition against the sale or purchase of such species in interstate or foreign commerce.

Makes it unlawful for a person to import, export, transport, sell, receive, acquire, or purchase a live animal of any prohibited wildlife species in interstate or foreign commerce (i.e., for pet trade purposes). Sets forth exceptions to such prohibition, including, under certain conditions, for: (1) transporting a nonhuman primate to or from a veterinarian; (2) transporting a nonhuman primate to a legally designated caregiver as a result of the death of the preceding owner; and (3) transporting a single primate of the genus *Cebus* that was obtained from and trained by a charitable organization to assist a permanently disabled individual with a severe mobility impairment.

Sets forth civil and criminal penalties for violations of the requirements of this Act. Extends the authorization of appropriations to carry out such prohibition for FY2010-FY2014.

Authorizes appropriations to the Secretary for FY2010 for use in hiring additional law enforcement personnel of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service to enforce the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 24, 2009:** Introduced in Senate
- **Feb 24, 2009:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

LegiList

CONGRESS, MADE CLEAR.

Search Every Federal Bill, Law, and Vote

LegiList is the fastest way to research Congress. Track any bill from introduction to enactment, see how every legislator voted, follow committee activity, and read the full text of every bill — all in one place, always up to date.

legilist.com

Free Course: Learn How Congress Actually Works

LegiList Learn is a free, self-paced course that walks through the entire legislative process — from drafting a bill to a presidential signature. Seven modules, plain language, no politics. Earn a certificate when you finish.

legilist.com/learn

Developer API: Build Apps on Legislative Data

The LegiList API gives developers direct access to bills, votes, legislators, committees, and more. Start free with 1,000 requests per day — no credit card required. Upgrade to Pro when you need to scale.

legilist.com/api

Public data belongs to the public. — legilist.com