

HR 2973

Protecting Public Safety and Sacred Sites from the Utah Prairie Dog Act of 2011

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Animals

Introduced: Sep 20, 2011

Current Status: Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

Latest Action: Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources. (Sep 20, 2011)

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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • **State:** UT • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Chaffetz, Jason [R-UT-3]	R · UT		Sep 21, 2011
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 20, 2011

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Animals

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 S 1580	Identical bill	Sep 20, 2011: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

Summary (as of Sep 20, 2011)

Protecting Public Safety and Sacred Sites from the Utah Prairie Dog Act of 2011 - Requires the Secretary of the Interior to amend the special rule concerning takings of the Utah prairie dog to permit the taking of such prairie dog under the Endangered Species Act of 1973 in any airport or cemetery in such prairie dog's range in which a state demonstrates that: (1) the prairie dog's entry or existence causes a threat to public health and safety or to the sanctity of a burial site, and (2) all practicable measures to eliminate that threat have been carried out without success.

Defines "practicable measures" as: (1) the construction of fences around such areas, and (2) translocation of the prairie dogs by methods used by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service or the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 20, 2011:** Introduced in House
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