

HR 1272

Maple Tapping Access Program Act

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Committee Activity

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Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 2, 2013

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
113 S 954	Related bill	Sep 4, 2013: By Senator Stabenow from Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry filed written report under authority of the order of the Senate of 08/01/2013. Report No. 113-88. Additional views filed.
113 S 879	Related bill	May 7, 2013: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
113 S 10	Related bill	Jan 22, 2013: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry. (text of measure as introduced: CR S48-156)

Maple Tapping Access Program Act - Authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture (USDA) to make grants to states, tribal governments, and research institutions to promote the domestic maple syrup industry through: (1) promotion of research and education, (2) promotion of natural resource sustainability, (3) market promotion, and (4) encouragement of owners and operators of privately held land to initiate or expand maple-sugaring activities or to voluntarily make the land available to the public for maple-sugaring activities.

Defines "maple-sugaring" as the collection of sap from any species of tree in the genus Acer for the purpose of boiling to produce food.

States that nothing in this Act shall be construed to preempt a state or tribal government law, including a state or tribal government liability law.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 2, 2013:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Horticulture, Research, Biotechnology, and Foreign Agriculture.
- **Mar 19, 2013:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 19, 2013:** Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.