

HR 1272

Maple Tapping Access Program Act

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Committee Activity

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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.