

## HR 847

Puppy Uniform Protection and Safety Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Animals

**Introduced:** Feb 27, 2013

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock, Rural Development, and Credit.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock, Rural Development, and Credit. (Mar 13, 2013)

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## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 13, 2013

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Animals

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
113 S 395	Related bill	<b>Feb 27, 2013:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry. (text of measure as introduced: CR S944-945)

## Summary (as of Feb 27, 2013)

Puppy Uniform Protection and Safety Act - Amends the Animal Welfare Act to define a "high volume retail breeder" as a person who, in commerce, for compensation or profit: (1) has an ownership interest in or custody of one or more breeding female dogs; and (2) sells, via any means of conveyance, more than 50 of the offspring of such dogs for use as pets in any one-year period. Considers such a breeder of dogs to be a dealer.

Requires dealers to include on licensing applications and annual renewals the total number of dogs exempted from exercise on the premises of the dealer in the preceding year by a licensed veterinarian.

Requires the Secretary of Agriculture (USDA) to promulgate requirements for the exercise of dogs at facilities owned or operated by a dealer, including requiring daily access to exercise that: (1) allows the dogs to move sufficiently in a way that is not forced, repetitive, or restrictive; and (2) is in an area that is spacious, cleaned at least once a day, free of infestation by pests or vermin, and designed to prevent the dogs from escaping. Allows an exemption if: (1) a licensed veterinarian determines that a dog should not exercise because of the health, condition, or well-being of the dog; and (2) such determination is reviewed and updated at least once every 30 days by the veterinarian, unless the basis for the determination is a permanent condition. Subjects such a determination to review and approval by the Secretary.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Mar 13, 2013:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock, Rural Development, and Credit.
- **Feb 27, 2013:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 27, 2013:** Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

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