

## S 879

### Maple Tapping Access Program Act

**Congress:** 113 (2013–2015, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Agriculture and Food

**Introduced:** May 7, 2013

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry. (May 7, 2013)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/113th-congress/senate-bill/879>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]

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

### Cosponsors

*No cosponsors are listed for this bill.*

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 7, 2013

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Agriculture and Food

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
113 S 954	Related bill	<b>Sep 4, 2013:</b> 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 HR 1272	Related bill	<b>Apr 2, 2013:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Horticulture, Research, Biotechnology, and Foreign Agriculture.
113 S 10	Related bill	<b>Jan 22, 2013:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry. (text of measure as introduced: CR S48-156)

## Summary (as of May 7, 2013)

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Maple Tapping Access Program Act - Authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture (USDA) to make grants to states and tribal governments 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.

## Actions Timeline

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