

S 1081

Refuge from Cruel Trapping Act

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Committee Activity

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Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 114 HR 2016 | Related bill | May 26, 2015: Referred to the Subcommittee on Federal Lands. |

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Amends the National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act of 1966 to prohibit the use or possession of body-gripping traps in the National Wildlife Refuge System.

Imposes on persons who possess or use such traps in the System: (1) for a first offense, a civil fine of up to \$500 for each body-gripping trap possessed or used; and (2) for subsequent offenses, a civil fine of up to \$1,000 for each body-gripping trap possessed or used, imprisonment for up to 180 days, or both such a civil fine and imprisonment.

Subjects to civil forfeiture any body-gripping traps that are possessed or used in violation of this Act, and any wildlife captured by the use of such traps, including the pelts and raw fur.

Requires persons found to be in violation of such prohibition to pay all associated court costs.

Actions Timeline

- **May 6, 2015:** Committee on Environment and Public Works. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 114-37.
- **Apr 23, 2015:** Introduced in Senate
- **Apr 23, 2015:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.