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Wildlife Trafficking Enforcement Act of 2015

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114 HR 2494	Related bill	Oct 7, 2016: Became Public Law No: 114-231.

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This bill applies provisions of the federal criminal code concerning money laundering and racketeering to wildlife trafficking violations of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, the African Elephant Conservation Act, and the Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation Act of 1994, if the endangered or threatened species of fish or wildlife, products, items, or substances involved in the violation and relevant conduct have a total value of more than \$10,000. Violators would be subject to increased fines and years of imprisonment.

The amounts generated from penalties for those wildlife violations must be used for the benefit and conservation of impacted species.

Actions Timeline

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