

## HR 5560

Public Safety and Wildlife Protection Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Animals

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**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Trade. (Jun 29, 2016)

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Rep. Lynch, Stephen F. [D-MA-8]	D · MA		Nov 16, 2016

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	Jun 22, 2016
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	Jun 22, 2016
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 29, 2016

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Animals

## Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

## **Public Safety and Wildlife Protection Act**

This bill prohibits importing, exporting, delivering, carrying, transporting, selling, receiving, acquiring, or purchasing steel-jaw leghold traps or Conibear traps.

Steel-jaw leghold traps are certain spring-powered pan or sear-activated devices with steel jaws that are designed to snap closed on animals. Conibear traps consist of metal frames hinged at the center point and powered by two torsion springs that create a scissor-like action designed to kill animals by snapping their spinal columns. Both types of traps exclude cage or box traps, suitcase-type live beaver traps, or mouse or rat snap traps.

The bill establishes penalties for violating the prohibition on the traps.

The Department of the Interior must pay rewards for information that leads to a conviction of a violation of this bill, unless the information was provided by officers or employees of federal, state, or local governments while they were performing official duties.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jun 29, 2016:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Trade.
- **Jun 22, 2016:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 22, 2016:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and Foreign Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.