

## HR 1338

Horse Protection Amendments Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Animals

**Introduced:** Mar 2, 2017

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Digital Commerce and Consumer Protection.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Digital Commerce and Consumer Protection. (Mar 17, 2017)

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### Sponsor

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**Party:** Republican • **State:** TN • **Chamber:** House

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Rep. Rogers, Harold [R-KY-5]	R · KY		Mar 2, 2017
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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 17, 2017

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Animals

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## **Horse Protection Amendments Act**

This bill amends the Horse Protection Act to replace the Designated Qualified Persons program responsible for inspecting horses for soring with a new inspection system. (The soring of horses is any of various actions taken on a horse's limb to produce a higher gait that may cause pain, distress, inflammation, or lameness.)

The Department of Agriculture must establish a single Horse Industry Organization (HIO) in order to establish a formal affiliation with the management of each horse sale, horse exhibition, and horse sale or auction, appoint inspectors to conduct inspections, and otherwise ensure compliance with the Horse Protection Act.

The Commissioners of Agriculture for Tennessee and Kentucky must appoint individuals to the HIO. Those individuals must appoint individuals representing the Tennessee Walking Horse industry.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Mar 17, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Digital Commerce and Consumer Protection.
- **Mar 2, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 2, 2017:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

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