

HR 398

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

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Rep. Collins, Chris [R-NY-27]	R · NY		Jun 15, 2017
Rep. Farenthold, Blake [R-TX-27]	R · TX		Jun 15, 2017
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Rep. Lee, Barbara [D-CA-13]	D · CA		Jun 15, 2017
Rep. Pocan, Mark [D-WI-2]	D · WI		Jun 15, 2017
Rep. Yoho, Ted S. [R-FL-3]	R · FL		Jun 15, 2017
Rep. Clark, Katherine M. [D-MA-5]	D · MA		Jun 20, 2017
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Rep. McCaul, Michael T. [R-TX-10]	R · TX		Jun 20, 2017
Rep. Poliquin, Bruce [R-ME-2]	R · ME		Jun 20, 2017
Rep. Quigley, Mike [D-IL-5]	D · IL		Jun 20, 2017
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Rep. Brat, Dave [R-VA-7]	R · VA		Jul 11, 2017
Rep. Costello, Ryan A. [R-PA-6]	R · PA		Jul 11, 2017
Rep. Faso, John J. [R-NY-19]	R · NY		Jul 11, 2017

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Rep. Gaetz, Matt [R-FL-1]	R · FL		Jul 11, 2017
Rep. Hastings, Alcee L. [D-FL-20]	D · FL		Jul 11, 2017
Rep. Kuster, Ann M. [D-NH-2]	D · NH		Jul 11, 2017
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Rep. Smucker, Lloyd [R-PA-16]	R · PA		Jul 11, 2017
Rep. Curbelo, Carlos [R-FL-26]	R · FL		Jul 12, 2017
Rep. Wasserman Schultz, Debbie [D-FL-23]	D · FL		Jul 12, 2017
Rep. Buchanan, Vern [R-FL-16]	R · FL		Jul 20, 2017
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Rep. Davis, Rodney [R-IL-13]	R · IL		Jul 27, 2017
Rep. Khanna, Ro [D-CA-17]	D · CA		Jul 27, 2017
Rep. Pallone, Frank, Jr. [D-NJ-6]	D · NJ		Jul 27, 2017
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Rep. Coffman, Mike [R-CO-6]	R · CO		Sep 5, 2017
Rep. Joyce, David P. [R-OH-14]	R · OH		Sep 5, 2017
Rep. Scott, Robert C. "Bobby" [D-VA-3]	D · VA		Sep 5, 2017
Rep. Demings, Val Butler [D-FL-10]	D · FL		Oct 11, 2017
Rep. Crist, Charlie [D-FL-13]	D · FL		Oct 25, 2017
Rep. Sarbanes, John P. [D-MD-3]	D · MD		Nov 1, 2017
Rep. Tonko, Paul [D-NY-20]	D · NY		Nov 16, 2017
Rep. Tipton, Scott R. [R-CO-3]	R · CO		Jan 19, 2018
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Rep. Ruppersberger, C. A. Dutch [D-MD-2]	D · MD		May 7, 2018
Rep. Lowenthal, Alan S. [D-CA-47]	D · CA		May 16, 2018
Rep. Schakowsky, Janice D. [D-IL-9]	D · IL		May 16, 2018
Rep. Mitchell, Paul [R-MI-10]	R · MI		May 23, 2018
Rep. Young, David [R-IA-3]	R · IA		Jun 8, 2018
Rep. Brownley, Julia [D-CA-26]	D · CA		Jun 14, 2018
Rep. Pingree, Chellie [D-ME-1]	D · ME		Jun 22, 2018
Rep. Nadler, Jerrold [D-NY-10]	D · NY		Jul 11, 2018
Rep. Lujan Grisham, Michelle [D-NM-1]	D · NM		Jul 23, 2018
Rep. Bonamici, Suzanne [D-OR-1]	D · OR		Aug 21, 2018
Rep. Kildee, Daniel T. [D-MI-5]	D · MI		Aug 21, 2018
Rep. Krishnamoorthi, Raja [D-IL-8]	D · IL		Aug 21, 2018
Rep. Cleaver, Emanuel [D-MO-5]	D · MO		Sep 5, 2018
Rep. Vela, Filemon [D-TX-34]	D · TX		Sep 5, 2018
Rep. Bass, Karen [D-CA-37]	D · CA		Oct 12, 2018
Rep. Mast, Brian J. [R-FL-18]	R · FL		Nov 20, 2018
Rep. Stefanik, Elise M. [R-NY-21]	R · NY		Nov 20, 2018

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 6, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 S 2633	Related bill	Apr 9, 2018: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
115 HR 1795	Related bill	Apr 24, 2017: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations.

Summary (as of Jan 10, 2017)

Help Extract Animals from Red Tape Act of 2017 or the HEART Act of 2017

This bill amends the federal criminal code to modify the notice period in civil forfeiture proceedings that involve the seizure of an animal involved in animal fighting.

It requires the government to send notice of the seizure to interested parties within 30 days (currently, 60 days). The notice period may be extended only if a delay is warranted after considering certain factors, including the cost to the government of providing shelter for the animal, the health of the animal and the effect of a delay on its rehabilitation, and any increased risk that a delay could necessitate the euthanasia of the animal.

The bill amends the federal judicial code to authorize the Department of Justice to use amounts from the Department of Justice Assets Forfeiture Fund to pay for costs associated with a seized animal, including transportation, shelter, care, veterinary services, and humane euthanasia.

Actions Timeline

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