

HR 4693

Puppy Protection Act of 2017

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (31 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Crist, Charlie [D-FL-13]	D · FL		Dec 20, 2017
Rep. Shea-Porter, Carol [D-NH-1]	D · NH		Jan 10, 2018
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Rep. MacArthur, Thomas [R-NJ-3]	R · NJ		Feb 8, 2018
Rep. Cárdenas, Tony [D-CA-29]	D · CA		Mar 9, 2018
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Rep. Lofgren, Zoe [D-CA-19]	D · CA		Apr 17, 2018
Rep. Smith, Christopher H. [R-NJ-4]	R · NJ		Apr 25, 2018
Rep. Bishop, Mike [R-MI-8]	R · MI		Apr 26, 2018
Rep. Kilmer, Derek [D-WA-6]	D · WA		May 17, 2018
Rep. DeFazio, Peter A. [D-OR-4]	D · OR		Jun 5, 2018
Rep. Barletta, Lou [R-PA-11]	R · PA		Jun 12, 2018
Rep. Connolly, Gerald E. [D-VA-11]	D · VA		Jul 10, 2018
Rep. Young, David [R-IA-3]	R · IA		Jul 17, 2018
Rep. Doyle, Michael F. [D-PA-14]	D · PA		Jul 23, 2018
Rep. Gaetz, Matt [R-FL-1]	R · FL		Jul 24, 2018
Rep. Boyle, Brendan F. [D-PA-13]	D · PA		Jul 25, 2018
Rep. Demings, Val Butler [D-FL-10]	D · FL		Aug 14, 2018
Rep. Schweikert, David [R-AZ-6]	R · AZ		Aug 17, 2018
Rep. Mast, Brian J. [R-FL-18]	R · FL		Sep 6, 2018
Rep. Polis, Jared [D-CO-2]	D · CO		Sep 7, 2018
Rep. Lieu, Ted [D-CA-33]	D · CA		Sep 24, 2018
Rep. Reichert, David G. [R-WA-8]	R · WA		Sep 25, 2018
Rep. Swalwell, Eric [D-CA-15]	D · CA		Oct 2, 2018
Rep. Takano, Mark [D-CA-41]	D · CA		Nov 27, 2018

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 24, 2018

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Animals

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Dec 20, 2017)

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This bill amends the Animal Welfare Act to require the Department of Agriculture to expand standards that govern the humane handling, care, treatment, and transportation of animals to include new requirements for commercial dog dealers. Specifically, the standards must require dog dealers to provide to dogs: (1) adequate housing, exercise, and veterinary care; (2) appropriate and nutritious food; (3) continuous access to potable water; and (4) meaningful socialization with humans and compatible dogs for at least 30 minutes each day. The standards must also include requirements for breeders to use safe breeding practices and make all reasonable efforts to find humane placement for retired breeding dogs.

Actions Timeline

- **Jan 24, 2018:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock and Foreign Agriculture.
- **Dec 20, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Dec 20, 2017:** Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.