

## HR 1157

### Horse Protection Amendments Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Animals

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

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Consumer Protection and Commerce. (Feb 14, 2019)

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## Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. DesJarlais, Scott [R-TN-4]

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

## Cosponsors (13 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Barr, Andy [R-KY-6]	R · KY		Feb 13, 2019
Rep. Burchett, Tim [R-TN-2]	R · TN		Feb 13, 2019
Rep. Comer, James [R-KY-1]	R · KY		Feb 13, 2019
Rep. Fleischmann, Charles J. "Chuck" [R-TN-3]	R · TN		Feb 13, 2019
Rep. Green, Mark E. [R-TN-7]	R · TN		Feb 13, 2019
Rep. Guthrie, Brett [R-KY-2]	R · KY		Feb 13, 2019
Rep. Kustoff, David [R-TN-8]	R · TN		Feb 13, 2019
Rep. Roe, David P. [R-TN-1]	R · TN		Feb 13, 2019
Rep. Rogers, Harold [R-KY-5]	R · KY		Feb 13, 2019
Rep. Rose, John W. [R-TN-6]	R · TN		Feb 13, 2019
Rep. Norman, Ralph [R-SC-5]	R · SC		May 1, 2019
Rep. Cline, Ben [R-VA-6]	R · VA		Sep 9, 2019
Rep. Wagner, Ann [R-MO-2]	R · MO		Sep 9, 2019

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 14, 2019

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Animals

## Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

## **Horse Protection Amendments Act**

This bill addresses the protection of horses. Specifically, the bill replaces 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, and appoint inspectors to conduct inspections.

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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- **Feb 14, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Consumer Protection and Commerce.
- **Feb 13, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 13, 2019:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.