

## HR 5489

### Polar Bear Conservation and Fairness Act

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Animals

**Introduced:** Dec 18, 2019

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife. (Jan 9, 2020)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-bill/5489>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Young, Don [R-AK-At Large]

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

### Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Smucker, Lloyd [R-PA-11]	R · PA		Dec 18, 2019

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 9, 2020

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Animals

### Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

### Summary (as of Dec 18, 2019)

#### Polar Bear Conservation and Fairness Act

This bill directs the Department of the Interior to issue a permit for the importation of a polar bear part (other than an internal organ) from a bear taken in a sport hunt in Canada to any permit applicant who has submitted proof that the polar bear was (1) legally harvested by the applicant before the May 15, 2008, listing of the polar bear as threatened, and (2) harvested from an approved polar bear population. Interior must issue these permits without regard to limits on importing marine mammals with depleted populations.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jan 9, 2020:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife.
- **Dec 18, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Dec 18, 2019:** Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.