

HR 2085

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security. (Oct 19, 2021)

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Committee Activity

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| Judiciary Committee | House | Referred to | Oct 19, 2021 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Help Extract Animals from Red Tape Act of 2021 or the HEART Act of 2021

This bill modifies notice requirements in a civil forfeiture proceeding that involves the seizure of an animal involved in animal fighting.

Specifically, the government must notify interested parties of an animal's seizure 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, any increased risk that a delay could necessitate the euthanasia of the animal, and any psychological harm incurred by the animal's owner due to the delay in disposition.

Additionally, the bill authorizes amounts in the Department of Justice Assets Forfeiture Fund to be used to pay for costs associated with a seized animal, including transportation, shelter, care, veterinary services, and humane euthanasia.

Actions Timeline

- **Oct 19, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- **Mar 19, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 19, 2021:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.