

HR 3518

Bear Protection Act of 2023

Congress: 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Animals

Introduced: May 18, 2023

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Trade.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Trade. (Dec 17, 2024)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. McCaul, Michael T. [R-TX-10]

Party: Republican • State: TX • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (8 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [R-PA-1]	R · PA		May 18, 2023
Rep. Kuster, Ann M. [D-NH-2]	D · NH		May 18, 2023
Rep. Lieu, Ted [D-CA-36]	D · CA		May 18, 2023
Rep. Thompson, Mike [D-CA-4]	D · CA		Jul 19, 2023
Rep. Dean, Madeleine [D-PA-4]	D · PA		Aug 22, 2023
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Sep 12, 2023
Rep. Salazar, Maria Elvira [R-FL-27]	R · FL		Oct 3, 2023
Rep. Phillips, Dean [D-MN-3]	D · MN		Sep 19, 2024

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	May 18, 2023
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	May 22, 2023
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Dec 17, 2024

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Animals

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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This bill makes it unlawful for a person to knowingly import, export, sell, purchase, possess, transport, deliver, or receive bear viscera or related products except for limited acts carried out solely to enforce wildlife protection laws. *Bear viscera* means a bear's body fluids or internal organs, including the gallbladder and its contents. The term excludes a bear's blood or brains.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 17, 2024:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Trade.
- **May 22, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Wildlife, and Fisheries.
- **May 18, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **May 18, 2023:** Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committees on Foreign Affairs, and Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

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