

HR 3709

Keeping Pets and Families Together Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Animals

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 23, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Animals

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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This bill directs the Department of Agriculture (USDA) to establish a program to support microchipping of dogs and cats in the care of pounds or shelters. Under the program, USDA must enter into cooperative agreements with state and local governments to support the capability of pounds or shelters to provide for microchipping of dogs and cats in their care before allowing them to be recovered by their owners, adopted by other individuals, or transferred to another shelter or rescue organization.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 23, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry.
- **May 25, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **May 25, 2023:** Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.