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Protecting Access for Hunters and Anglers Act of 2025

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Sen. Banks, Jim [R-IN]	R · IN		Feb 13, 2025
Sen. Ricketts, Pete [R-NE]	R · NE		Apr 9, 2025
Sen. Cornyn, John [R-TX]	R · TX		Apr 10, 2025
Sen. Graham, Lindsey [R-SC]	R · SC		Apr 29, 2025

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Environment and Public Works Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 12, 2025

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
119 HR 556	Identical bill	Mar 19, 2026: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

Summary (as of Feb 12, 2025)

Protecting Access for Hunters and Anglers Act of 2025

This bill bars the Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS), the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), and the Forest Service from prohibiting or regulating the use of lead ammunition or tackle on federal land or water. The bill makes exceptions for specified existing regulations and where the FWS, the BLM, or the Forest Service determines that a decline in wildlife population at the specific unit of federal land or water is primarily caused by the use of lead in ammunition or tackle, based on the field data from such unit, and the state approves the regulations.

