

LEGISLATIVE LINEUP

THE FOLLOWING is a sample of HSLF-supported animal protection bills before the U.S. Congress. It's vital that you call, e-mail, or write your legislators to let them know your views on these bills. When communicating with your legislators, give the bill number (if available) and the name of the bill or issue. Be polite, brief, and to the point. For more specific information on an issue, go to hslf.org or call 202-676-2314.

If you plan to visit Washington, D.C., make an appointment to meet with your legislators or their staff to discuss animal issues. We can help you with background information and may be able to accompany you on your visits.

To reach your legislators by phone, call the congressional switchboard at 202-224-3121. When you call a legislator's office, ask to speak with the staff person handling animal protection issues. To find out who your legislators are and how to reach them directly, go to hslf.org/leglookup or call 202-676-2314.

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Address senators' letters to:

The Honorable _____
U.S. Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Address representatives' letters to:

The Honorable _____
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

ANIMALS IN RESEARCH



Great Ape Protection Act
H.R. 1326

To phase out the use of chimpanzees in invasive research, retire all federally owned chimpanzees to sanctuary, and codify the NIH moratorium on breeding of these animals for invasive research.
Sponsors: Reps. Towns, D-N.Y.; Reichert, R-Wash.; Langevin, D-R.I.; Bartlett, R-Md.

Pet Safety and Protection Act
H.R. 3907 / S. 1834

To end the Class B dealer system for dogs and cats used by research facilities, ensuring that the animals are obtained legally.
Sponsors: Rep. Doyle, D-Pa. / Sen. Akaka, D-Hawaii

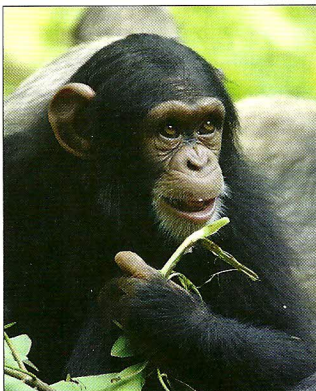
COMPANION ANIMALS



Prevention of Equine Cruelty Act
H.R. 503 / S. 727

To prohibit knowing possession, shipment, transport, purchase, sale, delivery, or receipt of a horse for slaughter for human consumption.
Sponsors: Reps. Conyers, D-Mich.; Burton, R-Ind.
Sens. Landrieu, D-La.; Ensign, R-Nev.

WILDLIFE



Bear Protection Act
H.R. 3480

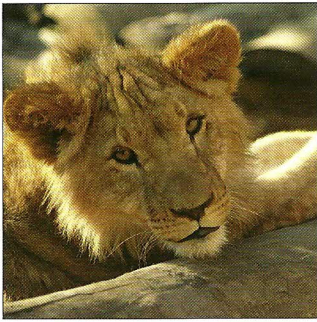
To prohibit the import, export, and interstate commerce in bear parts such as gallbladders and bile.
Sponsors: Reps. Grijalva, D-Ariz.; Campbell, R-Calif.

Captive Primate Safety Act
H.R. 80: Passed 323-95; passed Senate committee / S. 462

To prohibit interstate and foreign commerce in nonhuman primates for the pet trade.
Sponsors: Reps. Blumenauer, D-Ore.; Kirk, R-Ill.
Sens. Boxer, D-Calif.; Vitter, R-La.

Crane Conservation Act
H.R. 388: Passed 288-116; passed Senate committee / S. 197

To support and fund conservation programs for cranes.
Sponsors: Reps. Baldwin, D-Wis.; Brown-Waite, R-Fla.
Sens. Feingold, D-Wis.; Crapo, R-Idaho



Great Cats and Rare Canids Act

H.R. 411: Passed 290-118
S. 529: Passed committee

To support and fund conservation of rare felids and canids in the animals' natural ranges.
Sponsors: Rep. Inslee, D-Wash. / Sen. Lieberman, I-Conn.

Marine Mammal Rescue Assistance Amendments

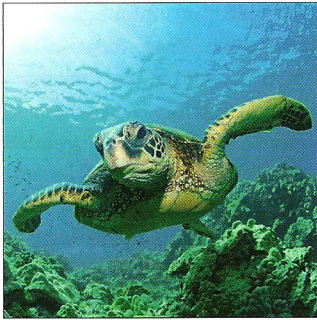
H.R. 844 / S. 859: Passed committee

To provide grants for marine mammal rescue and disentanglement efforts.
Sponsors: Rep. Young, R-Alaska / Sen. Cantwell, D-Wash.

Marine Turtle Conservation Reauthorization Act

H.R. 509: Passed House 354-72

To authorize an additional five years of grants for marine turtle conservation projects in foreign countries, expand eligibility to include projects in the U.S., and increase authorized funding levels.
Sponsor: Rep. Brown, R-S.C.; Bordallo, D-Guam



Migratory Bird Treaty Act Penalties

H.R. 2062: Subcommittee hearing held

To strengthen penalties for intentionally taking protected migratory birds.
Sponsor: Rep. DeFazio, D-Ore.

Protect America's Wildlife Act

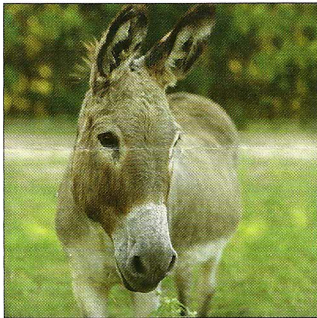
H.R. 3381 / S. 1535

To ban the shooting of wolves, bears, and other predators from aircraft except in limited cases involving a designated biological emergency.
Sponsors: Rep. Miller, D-Calif. / Sen. Feinstein, D-Calif.

Python Importation

H.R. 2811: Passed committee with amendment
S. 373: Subcommittee hearing held

To ban interstate commerce in and importation of pythons.
Sponsors: Reps. Meek, D-Fla.; Rooney, R-Fla. / Sen. Nelson, D-Fla.



Refuge From Cruel Trapping Act

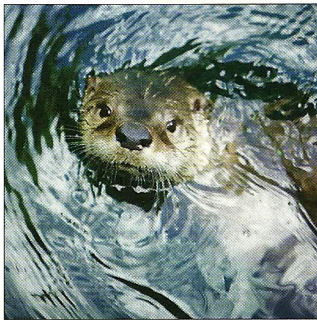
H.R. 3710

To prohibit the use of body-gripping traps in the National Wildlife Refuge System.
Sponsor: Rep. Lowey, D-N.Y.

Restore Our American Mustangs Act

H.R. 1018: Passed 239-185 / S. 1579

To restore the prohibition on the commercial sale and slaughter of wild free-roaming horses and burros and to provide for more humane and effective management on the range.
Sponsors: Reps. Rahall, D-W.Va.; Grijalva, D-Ariz.; Whitfield, R-Ky. / Sen. Byrd, D-W.Va.



Shark Conservation Act

H.R. 81: Passed by voice vote / S. 850

To end the cruel practice of shark finning (cutting off sharks' fins and throwing the sharks back in the water, often while still alive).
Sponsors: Rep. Bordallo, D-Guam / Sen. Kerry, D-Mass.

Southern Sea Otter Recovery and Research Act

H.R. 556: Passed 316-107 / S. 1748

To establish a recovery program for the Southern sea otter.
Sponsors: Rep. Farr, D-Calif. / Sen. Boxer, D-Calif.

Truth in Fur Labeling Act

H.R. 2480 / S. 1076

To require species labeling on any fur product regardless of value.
Sponsors: Rep. Moran, D-Va.; Bono Mack, R-Calif. / Sen. Menendez, D-N.J.

FARM ANIMALS



Preservation of Antibiotics for Medical Treatment Act

H.R. 1549: Committee hearing held
S. 619

To phase out routine nontherapeutic use of antibiotics in farm animals, which supports overcrowded, unsanitary factory farming conditions.
Sponsors: Rep. Slaughter, D-N.Y. / Sens. Kennedy, D-Mass.; Snowe, R-Maine

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