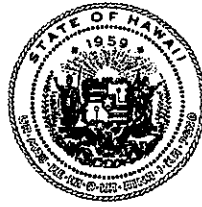


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**Testimony of  
WILLIAM J. AILA, JR.  
Chairperson**

**Before the House Committee on  
JUDICIARY**

**Tuesday, February 13, 2012  
2:00 AM  
State Capitol, Conference Room 325**

**In consideration of  
SENATE BILL 2502, SENATE DRAFT 1  
RELATING TO ANIMAL CRUELTY**

Senate Bill 2502, Senate Draft 1, proposes to prohibit and restrict the use of certain lethal methods for the control of animals. Use of certain lethal methods for control of introduced predators that prey on endangered species is a safe, humane, and important tool when used responsibly by wildlife professionals. However, the Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) recognizes the potential harm that some devices may cause when used in inappropriate areas or when used in an irresponsible manner.

The Department supports this bill and is committed to working with partners to protect pets and ensure the humane treatment of animals.

WILLIAM J. AILA, JR.  
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**THE HUMANE SOCIETY  
OF THE UNITED STATES**

TO: Honorable Chair Keith-Agaran, Vice-Chair Rhoads and Committee Members

House Judiciary Committee, 3-13-12, 200pm, Room 325

**RE: Testimony in SUPPORT of SB2502 SD1; Relating to Animal Cruelty, Snares-  
Trapping**

Submitted by: Inga Gibson, Hawaii State Director, The Humane Society of the United States,  
P.O. Box 89131, Honolulu, HI 96830, [igibson@hsus.org](mailto:igibson@hsus.org), 808-922-9910

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On behalf of our more than 50,000 members and supporters in Hawaii, we thank the Committee for its consideration of this modest but critical measure to prevent and reduce unnecessary animal suffering; a measure that is supported by many animal welfare organizations, including conservation organizations such as The Nature Conservancy, and DLNR

The issue of regulating the use of snares and body-gripping traps has come before the Hawaii legislature for almost a decade, demonstrating that this is a serious concern for the residents of Hawaii.

Unlike past attempts to prohibit these devices altogether, this measure simply 1) prohibits the use of steel-jawed traps that are not currently in use by any state or federal agency and already prohibited in a number of states, banned in 89 other countries and opposed by the American Veterinary Medical Association and the American Animal Hospital Association and, 2) prohibits snares, conibears and leg-hold traps in areas zoned as residential. In addition, the bill provides exemptions for state and federal agencies and their authorized agents in protecting threatened and endangered species, other wildlife, or for the protection of public health, safety or property.

Unattended snares or foot-hold traps are indiscriminate and can capture pets and native wildlife. Humane societies across Hawaii regularly receive pet dogs, hunting dogs and pet cats who are the victims of snares or foot-hold traps; often these animals must be euthanized due to the extent of their injuries. Thus, this bill further requires that any pet captured using a snare or foot-hold trap be checked for identification and reported to the local humane society for veterinary treatment and reunion with their owner or adoption.

Most importantly, Hawaii has no laws that require that snares or foot-hold traps ever be checked after they are set. Many animals are simply left to suffer and die. Animals, including pet dogs and cats, are known to chew off their own limbs in an attempt to escape, causing severe injury or even death. Animals left in unattended snares and foot-hold traps may suffer extreme pain for days or even weeks before finally dying of infection, starvation or dehydration.

Unnecessary animal suffering and wanton waste are contrary to Hawaii's values, the most basic hunting ethic of a "quick kill" and is disrespectful to our environment.

We respectfully urge your support of SB2502 SD1 to protect pets and the community.



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**To:** Honorable Chair Keith-Agaran  
Vice-Chair Rhoads and Committee Members  
  
House Committee on Judiciary  
March 13, 2012, 2:00 pm, Room 325

**Submitted by:** Natalie Lukashevsky, Community Outreach Coordinator  
Hawaiian Humane Society, [nlukashevsky@hawaiianhumane.org](mailto:nlukashevsky@hawaiianhumane.org)

**Date:** March 12, 2012

**RE:** **Support SB 2502, SD1;**  
**Relating to Animal Cruelty: Snares- trapping**

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Dear Honorable Chair Keith-Agaran, Vice-Chair Rhoads and Committee Members,

The Hawaiian Humane Society supports the passage of SB 2502, SD1 in order to better protect animals from snares, conibears and leg-hold traps as they are cruel, antiquated means of trapping.

We support this measure for the following reasons:

- Steel-jawed traps are not currently in use by any state or federal agency and are prohibited in a number of states, banned in 89 other countries and opposed by the American Veterinary Medical Association and the American Animal Hospital Association
- Prohibiting snares, conibears and leg-hold traps in areas zoned as residential will further protect pet animals that may fall victim to them. Pet dogs and cats, are known to chew off their own limbs in an attempt to escape, causing severe injury or death.
- This bill requires that any pet captured using a snare or foot-hold trap be checked for identification and reported to the local humane society for reunion with their owner or adoption.
- The bill provides exemptions for state and federal agencies and their authorized agents in protecting threatened and endangered species or other wildlife.

Thank you for the opportunity to present to the committee and we respectfully ask for your support of this measure.



To: Honorable Chair Keith-Agaran  
Vice-Chair Rhoads and Committee Members  
House Committee on Judiciary  
March 13, 2012, 2:00pm, Room 325

Submitted by: Donna Whitaker, Executive Director  
Hawaii Island Humane Society

Date: March 13, 2012

RE: Support SB 2502, SD1  
Relating to Animal Cruelty: Snares-trapping

Dear Honorable Chair Keith Agaran Vice-Chair Rhoades and Committee Members:

The Hawaii Island Humane Society supports the passage of SB 2502, SD1 in order to better protect animals from snares, conibears and leg-hold traps as they are cruel, inhumane means of trapping.

These steel-jawed traps are not currently in use by any state or federal agency, are prohibited in a number of states and are banned in 89 other countries around the world. Their use is opposed by the American Veterinary Medical Association and the American Animal Hospital Association. Prohibiting these snares in residential areas will further protect pet animals who may become victim to these merciless traps. We also support the requirement that any pet that is captured in these devices be checked for identification and reported to the local humane society for reunion with their owner.

Thank you for the opportunity to present to the committee and we respectfully ask for your support of this measure.



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Testimony of The Nature Conservancy of Hawai'i  
Supporting S.B. 2502 SD1 Relating to Animal Cruelty  
House Committee on Judiciary  
Tuesday, March 13, 2012, 2:00PM, Room 325

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*The Nature Conservancy of Hawai'i is a private non-profit conservation organization dedicated to the preservation of Hawai'i's native plants, animals, and ecosystems. The Conservancy has helped to protect nearly 200,000 acres of natural lands for native species in Hawai'i. Today, we actively manage more than 32,000 acres in 10 nature preserves on Maui, Hawai'i, Moloka'i, Lāna'i, and Kaua'i. We also work closely with government agencies, private parties and communities on cooperative land and marine management projects.*

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The Nature Conservancy supports S.B. 2502 SD1 to protect pet animals by prohibiting the use of one type of animal control device, and limiting the use of some other animal control devices in residential areas. We believe this bill does a good job of continuing to allow the use of appropriate tools to control feral ungulates (e.g., pigs, goats, sheep, deer, wild cattle) where they are damaging natural resource areas, while establishing reasonable additional protections for pet animals in residential areas where they are most likely to be inadvertently caught if certain animal control tools are employed.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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March 12, 2012

House Judiciary Committee  
State Capitol  
415 South Beretania Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii

**RE: Born Free USA Support for SB 2502 SD1**

Dear Members of the House Judiciary:

On behalf of Born Free USA, a nationally recognized leader in animal welfare and wildlife conservation, as well as our Hawaii membership, I write to express strong support for SB 2502 SD1, an important bill that would protect the public from indiscriminate snares, Conibear, and foot or leg-hold traps by penalizing usage in residential areas.

Prohibiting the use of these traps in residential areas will not only protect communities and animals from unnecessary suffering, but it will also balance the expectations of many Hawaii residents who prefer trapping-free outdoor recreation.

Because of their non-selectivity, both targeted and non-targeted animals – including family cats and dogs, threatened and endangered species -- fall victim to traps. Born Free USA has documented through a comprehensive review of scientific literature that trapped animals may suffer severe physical injury, thirst, hypothermia, and predation. They may even remain in traps for days before dying.

Born Free USA keeps a database that reveals hundreds of incidents where traps have injured and killed cats, dogs and other non-target victims, including humans—and these are just the *reported* cases. We recently conducted an investigation which demonstrated that, despite years of research, there have been no significant advances in reducing this "collateral damage."

Hawaii law does require information to be collected regarding the number and species of non-target animals trapped and killed throughout the state. Requiring trappers to report the number and type of non-target victims will provide the state a more accurate estimate of species impacted by trapping and will aid in addressing and reducing non-target catches.

Please pass SB 2502 SD1 today.

Sincerely,

Tracy Coppola, J.D., M.S.  
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**To:** Honorable Chair Keith-Agaran, Vice-Chair Rhoads and Committee Members

Committee on Judiciary, 03-13-12 2:30pm, Room 325

**Submitted By:** Kelly Carrington, Vice President, CatFriends,  
[hicatfriends@gmail.com](mailto:hicatfriends@gmail.com)

**Date:** 03-12-12

**Re:** Testimony in SUPPORT of SB2502 SD 1; Relating to Animal  
Cruelty: Snares

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CatFriends, a non-profit organization that works to humanely reduce the number of abandoned and feral cats on Oahu, would like to express strong support for SB2502 SD 1. This bill will protect cats and dogs from becoming victims of cruel snare traps and similar leg- and foot-hold traps.

Our organization has seen and heard accounts of cats being caught in snare traps intended for pigs. Their trapped limbs become mangled from their struggle to free themselves, these wounds ultimately lead to infection and sometimes death. There are accounts of animals chewing off their trapped limb in order to get away.

Although we would like to see these types of traps banned altogether to prevent any animal from suffering, banning their use in residential areas is a step in the right direction. It will save cats and dogs the pain of being trapped and their owners the anguish of potentially losing a pet that is often considered a family member.

Your support of SB2502 SD 1 will benefit Hawaii's pets and pet owners. Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in Support of SB2502 SD 1.

Sincerely Yours,

Kelly Carrington  
Vice President

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Conference room: 325

Testifier position: Support

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Shari Au, Ph.d.

Organization: Individual

E-mail: aus008@yahoo.com

Submitted on: 3/9/2012

**Comments:**

Steel jaw and other such traps are inhumane to say the least, crushing an animal's limb in death hold until bleeding, starvation, or climate allows a slow, struggling, painful death. We need to outlaw these traps in residential and wild places. How does killing indigenous species solve problems? It's time we used humane solutions allowing equal survival of species, instead of killing as solution, resulting in species decimation and extinction. No residential community with infants, toddlers, young children and older children is safe with these traps.

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Testifier position: Support

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Torun and David Almer

Organization: Individual

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Submitted on: 3/9/2012

Comments:

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Testifier position:

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Elizabeth Fraize

Organization: Individual

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Submitted on: 3/10/2012

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Testifier position: Support  
Testifier will be present: No  
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Testifier position: Support

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: STEPHANIE MCLAUGHLIN

Organization: Individual

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Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Margaret Sueoka

Organization: Individual

E-mail: feathers03@me.com

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Testifier position: Support

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Kandice Crusat

Organization: Individual

E-mail: Kfairies@aol.com

Submitted on: 3/10/2012

**Comments:**

Please pass this bill. I adamantly oppose any form of animal cruelty. They are innocent bystanders and need our help. If we don't help them now, needless suffering will continue for another generation or longer.

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Testifier position: Support

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Rosemary Karlsson

Organization: Individual

E-mail: rosemarykarlsson@gmail.com

Submitted on: 3/10/2012

Comments:

There is no need for this type of trap and it only endangers pets. Please support this bill.



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Testifier position: Support

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Naomi Egami

Organization: Individual

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Submitted on: 3/10/2012

Comments:

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Testifier position: Support

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Becky Robison

Organization: Individual

E-mail: beckyr12p@gmail.com

Submitted on: 3/10/2012

**Comments:**

Thank you so much for passing this! It is very important that we start thinking about animals, since there is no doubt that they feel pain. Thank you again.

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Testifier position: Support

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Kim Staley

Organization: Hui Pono Holoholona

E-mail: hawaiikimls@yahoo.com

Submitted on: 3/10/2012

**Comments:**

As a volunteer for the non-profit Hui Pono Holoholona on east Hawaii Island, I spend time with feral cat colonies. I have witnessed cats and wild pigs injured by snares that were set on county-owned property. At least two cats have lost a foot, which they most likely chewed off to get away. They are lucky to have not died from infection. Another very tame and friendly cat was found in the snare, his foot chewed up and infected. He died from the infection and lack of food due to being caught in the snare for several days. I witnessed a scared pig for several months with a large wound around her ankle. The wound and ankle became increasingly swollen and obviously painful, as she limped. One day, she was no longer seen around, and it is believed she died from the infection. Snares are cruel and barbaric, and the setters often do not come to check for caught animals for days, leaving the animal to suffer.

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Conference room: 325

Testifier position: Support

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Theresa Donnelly

Organization: Hawaii Military Pets

E-mail: theresa\_pickard@yahoo.com

Submitted on: 3/11/2012

**Comments:**

Please outlaw this horrible devices and ban them on all lands. Cruelty is wrong and should be applied equally to all animals, not just dogs and cats. Please pass this very important bill to protect our creatures that cannot speak for themselves.

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Testifier position: Support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Frances Pueo  
Organization: Hui Pono Holoholona  
E-mail: owlit1@gmail.com  
Submitted on: 3/12/2012

**Comments:**

I Frances Pueo, support SB 2502 SD1, Which requires dogs or cats that are captured or killed in a snare or trap to be reported to a county animal control officer. Establishes an animal cruelty offense for the use of steel-jawed leg-hold traps, and the use of snares, conibear, and foot- or leg-hold traps in residential or other prohibited areas; provides exemptions for activities carried out by state and federal agencies; establishes the offense as a misdemeanor. On the Big Isle, animal snares are being set and left to capture any thing that gets caught - from small animals including pets to pigs. Yes many animals left to suffer and die in these traps. I have dismantled over 21 animal snares set on County Property, made from string, cord, and wire. In some of these traps the animal was found dead from the infection of its wounds to starvation. I have rescued animals with chewed off limbs, and of animals crawling, limping on the main street of a Hilo Neighborhood to others in the Puna forest. Please pass this bill, because animal cruelty is ongoing on all islands, because the abusers feel they can do what the do, because there is no law to stop them. The irony is that the most of the community had no idea this was happening, and have expressed a need to have laws to stop animal snares.

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Testifier position: Support

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Christin Matsushige

Organization: Hawaii Cat Foundation

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Submitted on: 3/11/2012

**Comments:**

Thank you for supporting this bill. Leg hold traps and/or snares are cruel. Government employees and others who utilize these devices should be accountable for their use.

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Testifier position: Support

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Tina Bounds

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E-mail: care4petservices@yahoo.com

Submitted on: 3/11/2012

**Comments:**

These devices are so cruel and inhumane. Animals go through terrible pain and suffering while trapped in these devices.

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Testifier position: Support

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Pamela Irie

Organization: Individual

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Submitted on: 3/12/2012

**Comments:**

PLEASE vote YES to pass this bill; Mahalo!



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Testifier position: Support

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Rene Umberger

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Conference room: 325

Testifier position: Support

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Charly Ontai

Organization: Individual

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Submitted on: 3/12/2012

Comments:

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Conference room: 325

Testifier position: Support

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Orianna Skomoroch

Organization: Individual

E-mail: orrie@hawaiiantel.net

Submitted on: 3/12/2012

**Comments:**

I ask that you support this bill to stop the inhumane treatment and pain these animals experience due to these traps.

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Testifier position: Support

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Mary Menacho

Organization: West Hawaii Humane Society

E-mail: rmkona@hawaiiantel.net

Submitted on: 3/12/2012

**Comments:**

It is not humane to allow steel-jawed traps, snares and other types of these traps identified in this bill to be used. There are more humane methods to address human-wildlife conflict. Too many pets have suffered from these and we must find a solution to prevent future unnecessary suffering.

Mahalo

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Testifier position: Support

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Elizabeth Frank

Organization: Individual

E-mail: Bethefrank@yahoo.com

Submitted on: 3/12/2012

**Comments:**

These inhumane traps should be totally outlawed, not just in residential areas.

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Testifier position: Support

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Leanne Hong

Organization: Individual

E-mail: leanehong@gmail.com

Submitted on: 3/12/2012

Comments:

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Testifier position: Support

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: joanna milo

Organization: Individual

E-mail: milojoanna@yahoo.com

Submitted on: 3/12/2012

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Testifier position: Support

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: bonnie osaki

Organization: Individual

E-mail: bonnieosaki@gmail.com

Submitted on: 3/12/2012

Comments:



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Conference room: 325

Testifier position: Support

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Jane Shiraki

Organization: Individual

E-mail: inspirevision@aol.com

Submitted on: 3/12/2012

Comments:

Dear Legislators:

Please support SB2502. Such legal protections for animals are long overdue. These barbaric traps and snares should not be used on sentient beings in the first place. I cannot express enough how utterly cruel and prehistoric these tools are, and to intentionally use them on living beings that suffer so much pain as a result, is so cold and callous of society. The state should invest in finding or inventing humane ways of managing our animal life, instead of over-constantly resorting to cruel, barbaric ways, which only mirrors the sad lack of innovation, creativity, education, and invention as well as a stifled moral development in our state. Let us choose to move forward into a humane future for animals.

Mahalo,  
Jane Shiraki  
Honolulu

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Testifier position: Support

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Jacqueline Just

Organization: Individual

E-mail: jacquelinejust@yahoo.com

Submitted on: 3/12/2012

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Testifier position: Support

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Allan Schildknecht

Organization: Individual

E-mail: allanschildknecht@hawaii.rr.com

Submitted on: 3/12/2012

Comments:

We urge you to support this bill.

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Testifier position: Support

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Ginny Tiu

Organization: Individual

E-mail: g2@hokua.org

Submitted on: 3/12/2012

Comments:

Dear Chair and Committee Members,

I ask you to please consider the agonizing suffering inflicted on these animals, as they die a very slow and painful death. It is truly inhumane to allow this to happen. There is no reason good enough for a civil society to justify this kind of suffering.

Thank you for your kind consideration.

Aloha,  
Ginny Tiu

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Testifier position: Support

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Fenina Buttler

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Testifier position: Support

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Lisa Fowler

Organization: Individual

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Comments:



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Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Barbara Yoshimura

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Testifier position: Support

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Suyin Phillips

Organization: Individual

E-mail: suyin@hawaii.edu

Submitted on: 3/12/2012

**Comments:**

Innocent wildlife and pets are needlessly being caught in cruel snares and steel-jawed traps!  
There are more humane alternatives available, let's use them instead!

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Submitted by: JOHNNY KELLY

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Comments:

PLEASE SUPPORT THESE BILLS!

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Testifier position: Support

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