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Social Security Number Privacy and Identity Theft Prevention Act of 2001

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Chamber: Senate

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Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Jun 12, 2001)

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • **State:** KY • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Harkin, Tom [D-IA]	D · IA		Jun 12, 2001
Sen. Helms, Jesse [R-NC]	R · NC		Jun 19, 2001
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA		Sep 6, 2001

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 12, 2001

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Social Welfare

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
107 HR 2036	Identical bill	Jun 18, 2001: Referred to the Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Chairman.

Summary (as of Jun 12, 2001)

Social Security Number Privacy and Identity Theft Prevention Act of 2001 - Amends title II (Old Age, Survivors and Disability Insurance) (OASDI) of the Social Security Act (SSA) to: (1) specify restrictions on the sale and public display of social security account numbers (SSNs) (or any derivatives) by Federal, State, and local governments and bankruptcy case trustees; (2) prohibit the display of SSNs on checks issued for payment by such governments, or on driver's licenses or motor vehicle registrations issued by a State or local government; (3) prohibit the Federal, State, or local government display of SSNs (or any derivatives) on employee identification cards or tags (IDs); (4) prohibit access to the SSNs of other individuals by prisoners employed by Federal, State, or local governments; (5) require States to require independent verification of birth records provided in support of applications for SSNs; and (6) prohibit the selling, purchasing, or displaying of SSNs and the obtaining or using of any individual's SSN to locate or identify such individual with the intent to physically injure or harm such individual or to use the ID of such individual for any illegal purpose by any person, with specified exceptions. Establishes civil and criminal penalties for violations of this Act, including judicial orders of restitution.

Provides that any person who refuses to do business with an individual because the individual will not consent to that person's receipt of his or her SSN shall be considered to have committed an unfair or deceptive act or practice in violation of the Federal Trade Commission Act, except in certain cases required under Federal law.

Subjects to the Fair Credit Reporting Act information regarding a consumer's SSN (and any derivative) (credit header information).

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 12, 2001:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jun 12, 2001:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S6129)
- **Jun 12, 2001:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.