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# S 1233

Product Packaging Protection Act of 2002

Congress: 107 (2001–2003, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

Introduced: Jul 24, 2001

Current Status: Held at the desk.

Latest Action: Held at the desk. (Oct 17, 2002)

Official Text: https://www.congress.gov/bill/107th-congress/senate-bill/1233

## **Sponsor**

Name: Sen. Kohl, Herb [D-WI]

Party: Democratic • State: WI • Chamber: Senate

## **Cosponsors** (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. DeWine, Mike [R-OH]	$R \cdot OH$		Jul 24, 2001
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	$D \cdot IL$		Jul 24, 2001
Sen. Hatch, Orrin G. [R-UT]	$R \cdot UT$		Jul 24, 2001
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	D · VT		Jul 24, 2001

# **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Aug 1, 2001

# **Subjects & Policy Tags**

## **Policy Area:**

Crime and Law Enforcement

### **Related Bills**

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
107 HR 2621	Related bill	Dec 2, 2002: Became Public Law No: 107-307.

#### **Summary** (as of Oct 16, 2002)

Product Packaging Protection Act of 2002 - Amends Federal criminal law to impose criminal penalties, including imprisonment for up to one year, for tampering with a consumer product sold in interstate or foreign commerce by knowingly placing, before sale, any writing in the product or in its container without the consent of the manufacturer, retailer, or distributor.

Increases the imprisonment penalty from one year to three years for a repeat offender.

Defines "writing" as any form of representation or communication, including handbills, notices, or advertising, that contain letters, words, or pictorial representations.

#### **Actions Timeline**

- Oct 17, 2002: Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- Oct 17, 2002: Received in the House.
- Oct 17, 2002: Held at the desk.
- Oct 16, 2002: Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S10594; text of measure as reported in Senate: CR S10594)
- Oct 16, 2002: The committee substitute as amended agreed to by Unanimous Consent.
- Oct 16, 2002: Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.
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- Dec 4, 2001: By Senator Leahy from Committee on the Judiciary filed written report. Report No. 107-106.
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- Sep 6, 2001: Committee on the Judiciary. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- Sep 6, 2001: Committee on the Judiciary. Reported by Senator Leahy with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. Without written report.
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- Sep 6, 2001: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 152.
- Aug 1, 2001: Committee on the Judiciary Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition and Business and Consumer Rights.
  Hearings held Subcommittee changed to Antitrust, Business Rights and Competition. With printed Hearing: S.Hrg. 107-528.
- Jul 24, 2001: Introduced in Senate
- Jul 24, 2001: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S8135-8136)
- Jul 24, 2001: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR S8136)