

S 1491

A bill to provide for the establishment and implementation of a fingerprint processing system to be used whenever a visa is issued to an alien.

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Snowe, Olympia J. [R-ME]

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

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]	D · CA		Oct 3, 2001
Sen. Miller, Zell [D-GA]	D · GA		Dec 14, 2001

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Oct 3, 2001

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Oct 3, 2001)

Requires: (1) the Secretary of State and the Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization to jointly establish and implement a fingerprint processing system under which an alien's fingerprints shall be entered into an electronic database when such alien is issued a visa; and (2) the Immigration and Naturalization Service to access the database upon the alien's entry into the United States to certify that the fingerprint of the individual seeking admission matches the fingerprint in the database. Prohibits the alien from being admitted if the fingerprint does not match.

Requires: (1) the Secretary to increase visa fees; and (2) the amount of such increase to be used to offset the costs of using the fingerprint processing system.

Actions Timeline

- **Oct 9, 2001:** Star Print ordered on on the bill.
- **Oct 3, 2001:** Introduced in Senate
- **Oct 3, 2001:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S10158-10159)
- **Oct 3, 2001:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.