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Safe Food Act of 2001

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Agriculture and Food

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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • **State:** IL • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (3 total)

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred to	Oct 16, 2001

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Agriculture and Food

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Safe Food Act of 2001 - Establishes in the executive branch an independent Food Safety Administration which shall administer and enforce the food safety laws for the protection of the public health. Directs the Administrator of Food Safety to oversee the: (1) implementation of Federal food safety inspection, enforcement, and research efforts, based on scientifically supportable assessments of risks to public health; (2) development of consistent and science-based standards for safe food; (3) coordination and prioritization of food safety research and education programs with other Federal agencies; (4) coordination of the Federal response to food-borne illness outbreaks with other Federal agencies and State agencies; and (5) integration of Federal food safety activities with State and local agencies.

Transfers to the Administration all functions of the following Federal agencies that relate to administration or enforcement of the food safety laws, as determined by the President: (1) the Food Safety and Inspection Service of the Department of Agriculture; (2) the Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA); (3) the Center for Veterinary Medicine of FDA; (4) the National Marine Fisheries Service of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration of the Department of Commerce as it relates to the Seafood Inspection Program; and (5) such others as the President may designate by executive order.

Actions Timeline

- **Oct 16, 2001:** Committee on Governmental Affairs referred to Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, Restructuring and the District of Columbia.
- **Oct 4, 2001:** Introduced in Senate
- **Oct 4, 2001:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S10295-10296)
- **Oct 4, 2001:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.