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Military Tribunal Authorization Act of 2002

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]

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

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	D · IL		Feb 13, 2002

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 13, 2002

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
107 HR 4035	Identical bill	Apr 5, 2002: Executive Comment Requested from DOD.

Summary (as of Feb 13, 2002)

Military Tribunal Authorization Act of 2002 - Authorizes the President to establish tribunals for the trial of individuals who: (1) are not U.S. persons; (2) are members of the al Qaeda organization or other terrorist organizations who cooperated with the al Qaeda in planning, authorizing, committing, or aiding in the September 11, 2001, attacks against the United States or who aided or abetted such members in such activities; (3) are apprehended in or fleeing from Afghanistan or any other place outside the United States where U.S. armed forces are involved; and (4) are not prisoners of war. Authorizes the President to direct the Secretary of Defense to detain individuals subject to such tribunals.

Expresses the sense of Congress that the President should seek the cooperation of U.S. allies and other nations in conducting investigations and prosecutions of such individuals.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 13, 2002:** Introduced in Senate
- **Feb 13, 2002:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S741-743)
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