

HR 1966

Interstate Commerce Freedom Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Law

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Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection, for a period to be subseque

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • State: IN • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (14 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Boucher, Rick [D-VA-9]	D · VA		May 23, 2001
Rep. Jones, Walter B., Jr. [R-NC-3]	R · NC		May 23, 2001
Rep. Schaffer, Bob [R-CO-4]	R · CO		May 23, 2001
Rep. Sessions, Pete [R-TX-5]	R · TX		May 23, 2001
Rep. Stearns, Cliff [R-FL-6]	R · FL		May 23, 2001
Rep. Stump, Bob [R-AZ-3]	R · AZ		May 23, 2001
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Rep. Vitter, David [R-LA-1]	R · LA		May 9, 2002
Rep. Kerns, Brian D. [R-IN-7]	R · IN		May 21, 2002
Rep. Souder, Mark E. [R-IN-4]	R · IN		May 21, 2002
Rep. Crane, Philip M. [R-IL-8]	R · IL		Jun 4, 2002
Rep. Hayes, Robin [R-NC-8]	R · NC		Jun 4, 2002
Rep. Linder, John [R-GA-11]	R · GA		Jun 4, 2002
Rep. Norwood, Charles W. [R-GA-10]	R · GA		Jun 18, 2002

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 8, 2001
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	May 23, 2001

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Law

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of May 23, 2001)

Interstate Commerce Freedom Act - Provides that, in any civil action brought in State or Federal court alleging liability of a manufacturer for harm resulting from: (1) a product of the manufacturer, the manufacturer shall not be liable for such harm if a proximate cause of the harm was a criminal or intentionally tortious act of a person other than the manufacturer; and (2) any sale or marketing of a product of the manufacturer, the manufacturer shall not be liable for such harm unless the manufacturer failed to substantially comply with a State or Federal statute applicable to the sale or marketing of such product and such failure was a proximate cause of the harm.

Preempts inconsistent State law, except for State law that provides greater protections from liability for manufacturers.

Actions Timeline

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