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HR 1978

Major Drug Trafficking Prosecution Act of 2001

Congress: 107 (2001–2003, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

Introduced: May 23, 2001

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Chairman. Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Chairman.

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Waters, Maxine [D-CA-35]

Party: Democratic • State: CA • Chamber: House

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Del. Christensen, Donna M. [D-VI-At Large]	D · VI		
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Rep. Scott, Robert C. "Bobby" [D-VA-3]	D·VA		May 23, 2001
Rep. Thompson, Bennie G. [D-MS-2]	D·MS		May 23, 2001
Rep. Watt, Melvin L. [D-NC-12]	D · NC		May 23, 2001
Rep. Wynn, Albert Russell [D-MD-4]	D · MD		May 23, 2001
Rep. Capuano, Michael E. [D-MA-8]	D · MA		Jun 14, 2001
Rep. Filner, Bob [D-CA-50]	D · CA		Jun 14, 2001
Rep. Jackson-Lee, Sheila [D-TX-18]	D·TX		Jun 14, 2001
Rep. Olver, John W. [D-MA-1]	D · MA		Jun 14, 2001
Rep. Schakowsky, Janice D. [D-IL-9]	$D\cdotIL$		Jun 14, 2001
Rep. Woolsey, Lynn C. [D-CA-6]	D · CA		Jun 14, 2001
Rep. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH-13]	D · OH		Jul 31, 2001
Rep. Davis, Danny K. [D-IL-7]	$D\cdotIL$		Jul 31, 2001
Rep. Lee, Barbara [D-CA-9]	D · CA		Nov 1, 2001
Rep. Coyne, William J. [D-PA-14]	D · PA		Dec 13, 2001
Rep. Lantos, Tom [D-CA-12]	D · CA		Dec 13, 2001
Rep. Paul, Ron [R-TX-14]	$R \cdot TX$		Feb 12, 2002

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Kildee, Dale E. [D-MI-9]	D · MI		Mar 19, 2002
Rep. Miller, George [D-CA-7]	D · CA		Apr 9, 2002
Rep. Velazquez, Nydia M. [D-NY-12]	D · NY		May 2, 2002

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 1, 2001
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	May 30, 2001

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of May 23, 2001)

Major Drug Trafficking Prosecution Act of 2001- Requires the Attorney General's prior written approval for a Federal prosecution of an offense under the Controlled Substances Act (CSA) or the Controlled Substances Import and Export Act (CSIEA), or for any conspiracy to commit such an offense, where the offense involves the illegal distribution or possession of a controlled substance in an amount less than that specified as a minimum for an offense under CSA or, in the case of any substance containing cocaine or cocaine base, in an amount less than 500 grams.

Modifies CSA and CSIEA to delete specified mandatory minimum terms of imprisonment.

Actions Timeline

- Jun 1, 2001: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Chairman.
- May 30, 2001: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime.
- May 23, 2001: Introduced in House
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