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HR 2688

Bring Our Children Home Act

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 31, 2001
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Sep 10, 2001

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jul 31, 2001)

Bring Our Children Home Act - Amends the Federal judicial code to provide that a contestant may bring an action in district court to determine which of conflicting State court child custody determinations shall prevail.

Directs the Attorney General (AG) to establish a registry for all custody orders entered by State courts.

Authorizes law enforcement officers of a State or local government to hold, for no more than 24 hours, any child listed as missing for proper disposition under the latest valid custody determination.

Requires the Secretary of State to prepare a report on progress made by the United States in negotiating and entering into bilateral treaties relating to international child abduction with countries that are not contracting parties under the Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction.

Amends the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to require information on each country's efforts to prohibit international child abduction.

Requires the AG to prepare a report describing the status of each case involving a request for extradition in cases involving international kidnaping by parents.

Actions Timeline

- Sep 10, 2001: Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property.
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