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HR 31

Citizens' Self-Defense Act of 2001 Congress: 107 (2001–2003, Ended)

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Rep. Wamp, Zach [R-TN-3]	$R \cdot TN$	Jan 30, 2001
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Rep. Otter, C. L. (Butch) [R-ID-1]	$R \cdot ID$	Mar 8, 2001
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Rep. Baker, Richard H. [R-LA-6]	R·LA	Mar 26, 2001
Rep. Hostettler, John N. [R-IN-8]	R·IN	Mar 26, 2001

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Rep. Collins, Mac [R-GA-3]	R · GA		Mar 27, 2001
Rep. Tiahrt, Todd [R-KS-4]	R · KS		Mar 27, 2001
Rep. Hefley, Joel [R-CO-5]	R · CO		Mar 29, 2001
Rep. Spence, Floyd [R-SC-2]	R · SC		Apr 3, 2001
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Rep. Skeen, Joe [R-NM-2]	$R \cdot NM$		May 14, 2001
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Rep. Peterson, John E. [R-PA-5]	R · PA		Jun 20, 2001
Rep. Culberson, John Abney [R-TX-7]	$R \cdot TX$		Jul 10, 2001
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Rep. Everett, Terry [R-AL-2]	$R \cdot AL$		Sep 5, 2001
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Rep. Sweeney, John E. [R-NY-22]	$R \cdot NY$		Oct 11, 2001
Rep. Calvert, Ken [R-CA-43]	$R \cdot CA$		Jan 23, 2002
Rep. Cannon, Chris [R-UT-3]	$R \cdot UT$		May 7, 2002
Rep. Rahall, Nick J., II [D-WV-3]	$D \cdot WV$		May 9, 2002
Rep. Ross, Mike [D-AR-4]	D · AR		May 14, 2002
Rep. Wilson, Joe [R-SC-2]	$R \cdot SC$		May 14, 2002
Rep. Berry, Marion [D-AR-1]	$D \cdot AR$		May 15, 2002
Rep. Sullivan, John [R-OK-1]	$R \cdot OK$		Jul 18, 2002
Rep. Lucas, Frank D. [R-OK-6]	$R \cdot OK$		Jul 22, 2002
Rep. Mica, John L. [R-FL-7]	$R \cdot FL$		Sep 18, 2002

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 12, 2001

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jan 3, 2001)

Citizens' Self-Defense Act of 2001 - Declares that a person not prohibited under the Brady Handgun Violence Prevention Act from receiving a firearm shall have the right to obtain firearms for security and to use firearms in defense of: (1) self or family against a reasonably perceived threat of imminent and unlawful infliction of serious bodily injury; (2) self or family in the course of the commission by another person of a violent felony against the person or a member of the person's family; and (3) the person's home in the course of the commission of a felony by another person.

Authorizes persons whose rights under this Act have been violated to bring an action in U.S. district court against the United States, any State, or any person for damages, injunctive relief, and such other relief as the court deems appropriate.

Sets forth provisions regarding: (1) the award of attorney's fees; and (2) the statute of limitations.

Actions Timeline

• Feb 12, 2001: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime.

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• Jan 3, 2001: Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.