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# S 3149

Smithsonian Institution Personnel Flexibility Act of 2002

Congress: 107 (2001–2003, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Government Operations and Politics

Introduced: Oct 17, 2002

Current Status: Referred to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committees on Government R Latest Action: Referred to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committees on Government Reform, and Transportation and Infrastructure, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned. (Oct 21, 2002)

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## **Sponsor**

Name: Sen. Frist, William H. [R-TN]

Party: Republican • State: TN • Chamber: Senate

## **Cosponsors** (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Cochran, Thad [R-MS]	$R \cdot MS$		Oct 17, 2002
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	$D \cdot VT$		Oct 17, 2002

## **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Committee on House Administration	House	Referred To	Oct 21, 2002
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Referred To	Oct 21, 2002
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred To	Oct 21, 2002

## **Subjects & Policy Tags**

## **Policy Area:**

**Government Operations and Politics** 

## **Related Bills**

No related bills are listed.

#### **Summary** (as of Oct 17, 2002)

Smithsonian Institution Personnel Flexibility Act of 2002 - Authorizes the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution (SI) to make voluntary separation incentives to certain SI employees.

Requires such payments to be in accordance with a plan developed by SI in consultation with the Office of Management and the Budget.

Sets forth the effect of such payments on an individual's subsequent employment with the Federal Government.

Amends specified Federal law to authorize the SI Board of Regents to provide for additional space and resources for national collections held at the SI support facility in Suitland, Maryland.

Authorizes the SI Board of Regents to provide for certain improvements to the Patent Office Building.

Expresses the sense of the Congress that: (1) SI has played a vital role in the preservation of American culture, including art and music; (2) SI's National Museum of American History should be commended for establishing a Jazz Appreciation Month; and (3) musicians, schools, colleges, libraries, concert halls, museums, radio and television stations, and other organizations should develop programs to explore, perpetuate, and honor jazz as a national and world treasure.

#### **Actions Timeline**

- Oct 21, 2002: Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- Oct 21, 2002: Received in the House.
- Oct 21, 2002: Referred to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committees on Government Reform, and Transportation and Infrastructure, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
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- Oct 17, 2002: Introduced in Senate
- Oct 17, 2002: Passed/agreed to in Senate: Introduced in the Senate, read twice, considered, read the third time, and passed without amendment by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S10748-10749; text as passed Senate: CR S10748-10749)
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