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Settlement Encouragement and Fairness Act

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Law

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Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (Nov 14, 2002)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Feingold, Russell D. [D-WI]

Party: Democratic • **State:** WI • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Jeffords, James M. [I-VT]	I · VT		Nov 14, 2002
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Nov 14, 2002

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Nov 14, 2002)

Settlement Encouragement and Fairness Act - Defines "prevailing party" for any Act of Congress, any agency ruling, regulation, or interpretation, or any judicial or administrative rule that provides for the recovery of attorney's fees, to include, in addition to a party who substantially prevails through a judicial or administrative judgement or order or an enforceable written agreement, a party whose pursuit of a non-frivolous claim or defense was a catalyst for a voluntary or unilateral change in position by the opposing party that provides any significant part of the relief sought.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 14, 2002:** Introduced in Senate
- **Nov 14, 2002:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S11081)
- **Nov 14, 2002:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.