

HR 3257

Give Fans a Chance Act of 2001

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Sports and Recreation

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]

Party: Democratic • State: OR • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. McCarthy, Karen [D-MO-5]	D · MO		Dec 12, 2001

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Nov 8, 2001

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Sports and Recreation

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Nov 8, 2001)

Give Fans a Chance Act of 2001 - Provides that the antitrust exemption applicable to broadcasting agreements made by professional sports leagues shall not apply to a league for any period during which any member club is: (1) subject to a league's requirement or to an agreement made by two or more member clubs that forbids any of such clubs to transfer an ownership interest to any governmental entity or to members of the general public; or (2) not in compliance with the following relocation or elimination requirements.

Requires a member club or a league to furnish notice of a proposed relocation of a club out of its home territory or of club elimination not later than 180 days before the commencement of the new season. Provides that, during the notice period: (1) a local government, stadium, arena authority, person, or any combination thereof (local government) may prepare and present a proposal to purchase the club to retain it in the home community; and (2) the club and the league shall give a local government the opportunity to present a proposal to induce the club to remain. Directs the league to make a determination, before the expiration of the notice period, regarding the relocation or elimination. Sets forth criteria for relocation or elimination decisions, including the extent to which fan loyalty to and support for the club has been demonstrated.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 8, 2001:** Introduced in House
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- **Nov 8, 2001:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E2045-2046)
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