

HR 5391

NIH Security Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Oct 8, 2002)

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • **State:** MD • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Rep. Ehrlich, Robert L., Jr. [R-MD-2]	R · MD		Sep 17, 2002
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Oct 8, 2002
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 17, 2002

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Sep 17, 2002)

NIH Security Act - Requires the Director of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) to establish a permanent police force, to be known as the National of Institutes of Health Police. Permits officers in such force to be appointed without regard to the standard maximum age limits under Federal law, with officers appointed above a standard maximum age limit not counted as law enforcement officers for purposes of retirement benefits.

Authorizes NIH Police officers to: (1) carry firearms; (2) serve warrants and subpoenas; (3) conduct investigations; (4) make arrests; and (5) protect the Director of NIH and other officials determined by the Director. Allows NIH Police officers jurisdiction on all NIH properties and on other properties occupied by NIH, as determined by the Director.

Actions Timeline

- **Oct 8, 2002:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Sep 17, 2002:** Introduced in House
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- **Sep 17, 2002:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H6261)
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