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Ombudsman Reauthorization Act of 2002

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Environmental Protection

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Current Status: Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

Latest Action: Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce. (Nov 22, 2002)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Crapo, Mike [R-ID]

Party: Republican • State: ID • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (6 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Allard, Wayne [R-CO]	R · CO		Mar 23, 2001
Sen. Craig, Larry E. [R-ID]	R · ID		Mar 23, 2001
Sen. Campbell, Ben Nighthorse [R-CO]	R · CO		May 3, 2001
Sen. Specter, Arlen [R-PA]	R · PA		May 3, 2001
Sen. Santorum, Rick [R-PA]	R · PA		May 14, 2001
Sen. Grassley, Chuck [R-IA]	R · IA		Mar 19, 2002

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Nov 22, 2002
Environment and Public Works Committee	Senate	Reported By	Oct 17, 2002

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Environmental Protection

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Ombudsman Reauthorization Act of 2002 - Amends the Solid Waste Disposal Act to revise provisions regarding the Ombudsman.

Expands the duties of the Ombudsman to include assisting citizens in resolving problems relating to any program or requirement under this Act, the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA), as well as any other program administered by the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response Requires the Ombudsman to conduct investigations, make findings of fact, and make nonbinding recommendations concerning such problems.

Describes additional administrative and investigative powers of the Ombudsman. Requires the Ombudsman to appoint a Deputy for and maintain contact information in each region of the Agency. Requires annual reports on the status of health and environmental concerns addressed in complaints and cases brought before the Ombudsman.

Provides criminal penalties for obstructing the proceedings of or making false or fraudulent statements to the Ombudsman. Protects employees who comply with this Act.

Authorizes appropriations for the Ombudsman through FY 2012.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 22, 2002:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Environment and Hazardous Materials.
- **Nov 22, 2002:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Nov 22, 2002:** Received in the House.
- **Nov 22, 2002:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.
- **Nov 20, 2002:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR 11/19/2002 S11656-11658; text as passed Senate: CR 11/19/2002 S11657-11658; text of measure as reported in Senate: CR 11/19/2002 S11656-11657)
- **Nov 20, 2002:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR 11/19/2002 S11656-11658; text as passed Senate: CR 11/19/2002 S11657-11658; text of measure as reported in Senate: CR 11/19/2002 S11656-11657)
- **Oct 17, 2002:** Committee on Environment and Public Works. Reported by Senator Jeffords with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 107-320.
- **Oct 17, 2002:** Committee on Environment and Public Works. Reported by Senator Jeffords with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 107-320.
- **Oct 17, 2002:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 737.
- **Sep 26, 2002:** Committee on Environment and Public Works. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Jun 25, 2002:** Committee on Environment and Public Works. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 107-1003.
- **Mar 23, 2001:** Introduced in Senate
- **Mar 23, 2001:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S2829)
- **Mar 23, 2001:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.