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Freedom From Union Violence Act of 2001

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

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Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR S5017)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Thurmond, Strom [R-SC]

Party: Republican • **State:** SC • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Hatch, Orrin G. [R-UT]	R · UT		May 16, 2001
Sen. Sessions, Jeff [R-AL]	R · AL		May 16, 2001
Sen. Smith, Bob [R-NH]	R · NH		May 16, 2001

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 16, 2001

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
107 HR 5581	Identical bill	Nov 12, 2002: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.

Summary (as of May 16, 2001)

Freedom From Union Violence Act of 2001 - Amends the Hobbs Act to authorize imposition of a fine of up to \$100,000, 20 years imprisonment, or both for: (1) obstructing, delaying, or affecting commerce or the movement of any article or commodity in commerce by robbery or extortion (or attempting or conspiring to do so); and (2) threatening physical violence to any person or property in furtherance of a plan or purpose to interfere with commerce by threats or violence.

Makes provisions regarding any such interference inapplicable to conduct that: (1) is incidental to otherwise peaceful picketing during the course of a labor dispute; (2) consists solely of minor bodily injury, or minor damage to property, or threat or fear of such minor injury or damage; and (3) is not part of a pattern of violent conduct or of coordinated violent activity. Subjects such conduct to prosecution only by the appropriate State and local authorities.

Actions Timeline

- **May 16, 2001:** Introduced in Senate
- **May 16, 2001:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S5017)
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