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HR 1065

Social Security Spouse Protection Act of 2003

Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Social Welfare Introduced: Mar 4, 2003

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Social Security.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Social Security. (Mar 17, 2003) **Official Text:** https://www.congress.gov/bill/108th-congress/house-bill/1065

Sponsor

Name: Rep. Israel, Steve [D-NY-2]

Party: Democratic • State: NY • Chamber: House

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 17, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Social Welfare

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Mar 4, 2003)

Social Security Spouse Protection Act of 2003 - Amends title II (Old Age, Survivors and Disability Insurance) (OASDI) of the Social Security Act (SSA) to allow the Commissioner of Social Security reasonable discretion in applying the ten-year marriage requirement for entitlement of divorced spouses to spousal benefits in cases in which the divorce is in whole or in part the result of severe spousal or child abuse.

Actions Timeline

- Mar 17, 2003: Referred to the Subcommittee on Social Security.
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