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Settlement Encouragement and Fairness Act

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Law

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Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (May 22, 2003)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Feingold, Russell D. [D-WI]

Party: Democratic • State: WI • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Jeffords, James M. [I-VT]	I · VT		May 22, 2003
Sen. Kennedy, Edward M. [D-MA]	D · MA		May 22, 2003

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 22, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of May 22, 2003)

Settlement Encouragement and Fairness Act - Defines "prevailing party" for any Act of Congress, any agency ruling, regulation, or interpretation, or any judicial or administrative rule that provides for the recovery of attorney's fees, to include, in addition to a party who substantially prevails through a judicial or administrative judgement or order or an enforceable written agreement, a party whose pursuit of a non-frivolous claim or defense was a catalyst for a voluntary or unilateral change in position by the opposing party that provides any significant part of the relief sought.

Actions Timeline

- **May 22, 2003:** Introduced in Senate
- **May 22, 2003:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S7000-7001)
- **May 22, 2003:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.