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# S 123

A bill to exclude United States persons from the definition of "foreign power" under the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978 relating to international terrorism.

Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

Introduced: Jan 9, 2003

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR S157)

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR S157) (Jan

9, 2003)

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## **Sponsor**

Name: Sen. Kyl, Jon [R-AZ]

Party: Republican • State: AZ • Chamber: Senate

### **Cosponsors**

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

# **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jan 9, 2003

### **Subjects & Policy Tags**

#### **Policy Area:**

Armed Forces and National Security

#### **Related Bills**

Bill Relationship	Last Action
108 S 113 Identical bill	Jun 25, 2003: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.

## Summary (as of Jan 9, 2003)

Amends the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978 with respect to the President's authority, for purposes of acquiring foreign intelligence information for periods of up to one year, to authorize the electronic surveillance without a court order of communications between and among foreign powers. Extends the meaning of foreign power to any person, other than a U.S. person, engaged in international terrorism or activities in preparation for them.

#### **Actions Timeline**

- Jan 9, 2003: Introduced in Senate
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