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# HR 124

Handgun Licensing and Registration Act of 2003

Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

Introduced: Jan 7, 2003

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security. (Mar 6, 2003)

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# **Sponsor**

Name: Rep. Holt, Rush [D-NJ-12]

Party: Democratic • State: NJ • Chamber: House

## Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

# **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 6, 2003

# **Subjects & Policy Tags**

### **Policy Area:**

Crime and Law Enforcement

#### **Related Bills**

No related bills are listed.

#### Summary (as of Jan 7, 2003)

Handgun Licensing and Registration Act of 2003 - Amends the Federal criminal code to require the Attorney General to establish a Federal system for the licensing and registration of all handguns owned, possessed, or controlled in the United States, which shall include a method for easily retrieving information to identify: (1) each State resident who owns, possesses, or controls a handgun; and (2) the handgun.

Makes it unlawful for any person to own, possess, or control a handgun in a State to which this Act applies unless the person is licensed under the system and has registered the handgun with a Federal, State, or local law enforcement agency.

Makes such requirements inapplicable to a State which has in effect a system for the licensing and registration of handguns which includes such identifying information (as certified by the Attorney General).

Provides criminal penalties for violations under this Act.

### **Actions Timeline**

- Mar 6, 2003: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
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