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S 1428

Commonsense Consumption Act of 2003

Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: Senate Policy Area: Law

Introduced: Jul 17, 2003

Current Status: Committee on the Judiciary Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts. Hearings held. Latest Action: Committee on the Judiciary Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts. Hearings held.

(Oct 16, 2003)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. McConnell, Mitch [R-KY]

Party: Republican • State: KY • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (19 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Alexander, Lamar [R-TN]	$R \cdot TN$		May 6, 2004
Sen. Bond, Christopher S. [R-MO]	$R \cdot MO$		May 6, 2004
Sen. Bunning, Jim [R-KY]	$R \cdot KY$		May 6, 2004
Sen. Hatch, Orrin G. [R-UT]	$R \cdot UT$		May 6, 2004
Sen. Lott, Trent [R-MS]	$R \cdot MS$		May 6, 2004
Sen. Miller, Zell [D-GA]	D · GA		May 6, 2004
Sen. Reid, Harry [D-NV]	$D \cdot NV$		May 6, 2004
Sen. Craig, Larry E. [R-ID]	$R \cdot ID$		Jun 1, 2004
Sen. Hagel, Chuck [R-NE]	$R \cdot NE$		Jun 1, 2004
Sen. Nelson, Ben [D-NE]	D · NE		Jun 3, 2004
Sen. Coleman, Norm [R-MN]	$R \cdot MN$		Jul 8, 2004
Sen. Crapo, Mike [R-ID]	$R \cdot ID$		Jul 8, 2004
Sen. Inhofe, James M. [R-OK]	$R \cdot OK$		Jul 8, 2004
Sen. Lincoln, Blanche L. [D-AR]	D · AR		Jul 22, 2004
Sen. Santorum, Rick [R-PA]	$R \cdot PA$		Sep 14, 2004
Sen. Bennett, Robert F. [R-UT]	$R \cdot UT$		Sep 21, 2004
Sen. Cornyn, John [R-TX]	$R \cdot TX$		Sep 21, 2004
Sen. Talent, Jim [R-MO]	$R \cdot MO$		Sep 22, 2004
Sen. Snowe, Olympia J. [R-ME]	$R \cdot ME$		Oct 6, 2004

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Oct 16, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill Relationship	Last Action
108 HR 339 Related bill	Mar 26, 2004: Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 463.

Summary (as of Jul 17, 2003)

Commonsense Consumption Act of 2003 - Declares that a qualified civil liability action may not be brought in any Federal or State court, and that any pending qualified civil liability action shall be dismissed immediately by the relevant court. Defines a qualified civil liability action as a civil action brought by any person against a manufacturer or seller of a food, or a trade association, for damages or injunctive relief based on a claim of injury resulting from weight gain or obesity. Specifies actions which shall not count as qualified civil liability actions, including an action regarding the sale of a food which is adulterated.

Actions Timeline

- Oct 16, 2003: Committee on the Judiciary Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts. Hearings held.
- Jul 17, 2003: Introduced in Senate
- Jul 17, 2003: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S9595-9596)
- Jul 17, 2003: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.