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# S 1801

SAFE Act

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Policy Area: Labor and Employment

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#### **Sponsor**

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Party: Democratic • State: WA • Chamber: Senate

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	<b>Date Joined</b>
Sen. Corzine, Jon S. [D-NJ]	$D \cdot NJ$		Oct 30, 2003
Sen. Dayton, Mark [D-MN]	$D \cdot MN$		Oct 30, 2003
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	$D \cdot NY$		Oct 30, 2003
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	$D \cdot VT$		Dec 9, 2003
Sen. Dodd, Christopher J. [D-CT]	D · CT		Jan 20, 2004
Sen. Inouye, Daniel K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Jul 16, 2004

# **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Oct 30, 2003

### **Subjects & Policy Tags**

## **Policy Area:**

Labor and Employment

#### **Related Bills**

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 HR 3420	Identical bill	Dec 1, 2003: Referred to the Subcommittee on Workforce Protections.

Security and Financial Empowerment (SAFE) Act - Sets forth entitlement standards and implementation guidelines for employee use of emergency leave to address domestic or sexual violence. Permits victims of domestic or sexual violence to substitute existing leave in lieu of emergency leave.

Authorizes State use of funds under part A of title IV of the Social Security Act (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families) (TANF) to provide nonrecurrent short-term emergency benefits for emergency leave precipitated by domestic or sexual violence.

Amends the Internal Revenue Code relating to approval of State unemployment compensation laws to prohibit denial of compensation where an individual is separated from employment due to circumstances resulting from the individual's experience of domestic or sexual violence.

Amends the Social Security Act to include training under this Act for unemployment compensation and TANF personnel.

Authorizes the Secretary of Health and Human Services to award a grant to a national victim services organization to develop and disseminate a model program for domestic and sexual violence training.

Victims' Employment Sustainability Act - Prohibits certain discriminatory employer practices relating to terms or conditions of employment in connection with victims of domestic or sexual violence.

Victims of Abuse Insurance Protection Act - Prohibits denial or restriction of insurance coverage based on the status of the applicant or insured regarding abuse or abuse-related claims.

Amends the Internal Revenue Code to allow a business related credit for 40 percent of an employer's costs for implementing workplace safety and education programs relating to domestic and sexual violence.

Authorizes the Attorney General to provide a grant for a clearinghouse and resource center to provide information and assistance to employers, labor organizations, and advocates on behalf of victims of domestic or sexual violence.

#### **Actions Timeline**

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