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S 1805

Protection of Lawful Commerce in Arms Act

Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: Senate Policy Area: Law

Introduced: Oct 31, 2003

Current Status: Failed of passage in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 8 - 90. Record Vote Number: 30.

Latest Action: Failed of passage in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 8 - 90. Record Vote Number: 30. (Mar 2, 2004)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Craig, Larry E. [R-ID]

Party: Republican • State: ID • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Sarbanes, Paul S. [D-MD]	$D \cdot MD$		Feb 25, 2004

Committee Activity

No committee referrals or activity are recorded for this bill.

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Law

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 S 1806	Related bill	Nov 3, 2003: Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 364.
108 HR 1036	Related bill	Apr 10, 2003: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Protection of Lawful Commerce in Arms Act - Prohibits any qualified civil liability action from being brought in any State or Federal court and requires pending actions to be dismissed. Defines such an action to: (1) include an action brought against a manufacturer or seller of a firearm, ammunition, or a component of a firearm that has been shipped or transported in interstate or foreign commerce (qualified product), or against a trade association of such manufacturers or sellers, for damages resulting from the criminal or unlawful misuse of a firearm; and (2) exclude an action brought against persons who transfer a firearm knowing that it will be used to commit a crime of violence or a drug trafficking crime; an action brought against a seller for negligent entrustment or negligence per se; an action in which a manufacturer or seller of a firearm willfully violated a State or Federal statute applicable to the sale or marketing of the firearm and the violation was a proximate cause of the harm for which relief is sought; an action for breach of contract or warranty in connection with the purchase of the firearm; or an action for physical injuries or property damage resulting directly from a defect in design or manufacture of the firearm when used as intended or in a manner that is reasonably foreseeable.

Actions Timeline

- Mar 2, 2004: Considered by Senate. (consideration: CR S1947-1972, S1973-1976)
- Mar 2, 2004: Failed of passage/not agreed to in Senate: Failed of passage in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 8 90. Record Vote Number: 30.
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- Mar 1, 2004: Considered by Senate. (consideration: CR S1901-1928)
- Feb 27, 2004: Considered by Senate. (consideration: CR S1860-1873)
- Feb 26, 2004: Motion to proceed to consideration of measure agreed to in Senate.
- Feb 26, 2004: Measure laid before Senate. (consideration: CR S1612-1671)
- Feb 25, 2004: Motion to proceed to consideration of measure considered in Senate. (consideration: CR S1532-1554, S1559-1572, S1574-1582)
- Feb 25, 2004: Cloture motion on the motion to proceed to consider the measure invoked in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 75 22. Record Vote Number: 16.
- Feb 23, 2004: Motion to proceed to consideration of measure made in Senate by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S1448)
- Feb 23, 2004: Cloture motion on the motion to proceed presented in Senate.
- Feb 23, 2004: Motion to proceed to consideration of measure withdrawn in Senate by Unanimous Consent.
- Nov 3, 2003: Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 363.
- Oct 31, 2003: Introduced in Senate
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