

HR 1870

Freedom From Union Violence Act of 2003

Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

Introduced: Apr 29, 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. (May 5, 2003)

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	May 5, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 S 2159	Identical bill	Mar 3, 2004: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

## Summary (as of Apr 29, 2003)

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Freedom From Union Violence Act of 2003 - Amends the Hobbs Act to authorize imposition of a fine of up to \$100,000, 20 years imprisonment, or both for: (1) obstructing, delaying, or affecting commerce or the movement of any article or commodity in commerce by robbery or extortion (or attempting or conspiring to do so); and (2) threatening physical violence to any person or property in furtherance of a plan or purpose to interfere with commerce by threats or violence.

Makes provisions regarding any such interference inapplicable to conduct that: (1) is incidental to otherwise peaceful picketing during the course of a labor dispute; (2) consists solely of minor bodily injury, or minor damage to property, or threat or fear of such minor injury or damage; and (3) is not part of a pattern of violent conduct or of coordinated violent activity. Subjects such conduct to prosecution only by the appropriate State and local authorities.

## Actions Timeline

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- **May 5, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- **Apr 29, 2003:** Introduced in House
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- **Apr 29, 2003:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.