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Building Security Act of 2003

Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Science, Technology, Communications

Introduced: Jan 23, 2003

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. (Jan 23, 2003)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Edwards, John [D-NC]

Party: Democratic • **State:** NC • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jan 24, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Science, Technology, Communications

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jan 23, 2003)

Building Security Act of 2003 - Requires the Director of the National Institute of Standards and Technology to establish a research and development program to provide for improved building and fire codes, standards, and practices. Requires the Director to: (1) work with industry, trade associations, and professional societies to research construction, material, and equipment standards and practices to reduce the impact of extreme threats to the safety of buildings, their occupants, and emergency responders and to study the best methods (such as tax incentives or grants) for ensuring full implementation of and compliance with such standards and practices; and (2) oversee a program for dissemination and implementation of such practices and standards.

Directs the Secretary of Homeland Security to establish a Private Security Industry Task Force to: (1) examine the limitations in training, screening, standard-setting, retention, and oversight practice in the private security industry; and (2) develop structural guidelines and standards of quality for the industry and determine the best way to help States implement them.

Actions Timeline

- **Jan 23, 2003:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jan 23, 2003:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S1492)
- **Jan 23, 2003:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

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