

HR 2162

Flag Protection Act of 2003

Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

Introduced: May 20, 2003

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution. (Jun 25, 2003)

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Committee Activity

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| Judiciary Committee | House | Referred to | Jun 25, 2003 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of May 20, 2003)

Flag Protection Act of 2003 - Amends the Federal criminal code to revise provisions regarding desecration of the flag to set penalties with respect to persons who: (1) destroy or damage a U.S. flag with intent to provoke, and in circumstances reasonably likely to produce, imminent violence or a breach of the peace; (2) steal or knowingly convert to their use, or the use of another, a U.S. flag belonging to the United States and intentionally destroy or damage that flag; and (3) within any lands reserved for the use of the United States, or under the exclusive or concurrent jurisdiction thereof, steal or knowingly convert to their use, or the use of another, a U.S. flag belonging to another person and intentionally destroy or damage that flag.

Expresses the sense of the Congress that the States should enact prohibitions similar to the provisions of this Act.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 25, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution.
- **May 20, 2003:** Introduced in House
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