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Bring Our Children Home Act

Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Families

Introduced: Mar 11, 2004

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR 3/12/2

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR 3/12/2004 S2724-2725) (Mar 11, 2004)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]

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

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Feingold, Russell D. [D-WI]	D · WI		Mar 11, 2004
Sen. Lincoln, Blanche L. [D-AR]	D · AR		Mar 11, 2004
Sen. Reid, Harry [D-NV]	D · NV		Jul 21, 2004

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 12, 2004

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Families

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Mar 11, 2004)

Bring Our Children Home Act - Amends the Federal judicial code to provide that a contestant may bring an action in U.S. district court to resolve conflicting child custody determinations.

Directs the Attorney General to establish a registry of child custody and visitation orders and proceedings.

Authorizes State and local law enforcement officers to hold any child listed as missing for a proper custody disposition.

Amends the International Child Abduction Remedies Act to require the U.S. Central Authority under the Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction to establish a funding program for the provision of legal services to persons seeking remedies in interstate or international parental kidnapping cases. Authorizes the Legal Services Corporation to provide Convention-related legal assistance to qualified aliens. Requires the Central Authority to encourage the designation of courts to hear Convention-related cases.

Amends the Federal judicial code to require the Federal Judicial Center to include in its continuing education programs information on the Convention and related laws.

Requires various reports relating to international child abduction.

Requires the Attorney General to support, through specified activities, the adoption and implementation in the States of the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act.

Amends the Violence Against Women Act of 2000 to expand the Safe Havens for Children Pilot Program to include children at risk of parental kidnapping.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 11, 2004:** Introduced in Senate
- **Mar 11, 2004:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR 3/12/2004 S2724)
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