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S 2239

First Responders Homeland Defense Act of 2004

Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

Introduced: Mar 25, 2004

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs. (Mar 25, 2004)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Boxer, Barbara [D-CA]

Party: Democratic • State: CA • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 25, 2004

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 S 2632	Identical bill	Jul 9, 2004: Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 624.
108 S 2171	Related bill	Mar 4, 2004: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

Summary (as of Mar 25, 2004)

First Responders Homeland Defense Act of 2004 - Directs the Secretary of Homeland Security to establish a toll-free hotline through which local governments and nonprofit organizations may obtain information regarding all Federal grant programs that make funds available for the assistance of first responders and for terrorism preparedness.

Authorizes the Secretary to make grants to: (1) nonprofit organizations for training and equipping first responders; and (2) States, local governments, local law enforcement agencies, and local fire departments to assist in improving or purchasing communication systems to permit real-time, interoperable communication between State and local first responders.

Actions Timeline			
 Mar 25, 2004: Introduced in Senate Mar 25, 2004: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs. 			