

HR 347

Ombudsman Reauthorization Act of 2003

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 3, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 S 515	Identical bill	Jun 2, 2003: Referred to the Subcommittee on Environment and Hazardous Materials.

Ombudsman Reauthorization Act of 2003 - Amends the Solid Waste Disposal Act to revise provisions regarding the Ombudsman.

Expands the duties of the Ombudsman to include assisting citizens in resolving problems relating to any program or requirement under this Act, the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA), as well as any other program administered by the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response Requires the Ombudsman to conduct investigations, make findings of fact, and make nonbinding recommendations concerning such problems.

Describes additional administrative and investigative powers of the Ombudsman. Requires the Ombudsman to appoint a Deputy for and maintain contact information in each region of the Agency. Requires annual reports on the status of health and environmental concerns addressed in complaints and cases brought before the Ombudsman.

Provides criminal penalties for obstructing the proceedings of or making false or fraudulent statements to the Ombudsman. Protects employees who comply with this Act.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 3, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Environment and Hazardous Materials.
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