

HR 3523

Equity in Law Enforcement Act

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Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Dec 10, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 S 2168	Identical bill	Mar 4, 2004: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR S2231)

Summary (as of Nov 19, 2003)

Equity in Law Enforcement Act - Amends the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to include within the definition of "public safety officer" (thus qualifying for line-of-duty death and disability benefits) individuals serving private institutions of higher education in an official capacity as law enforcement officers, or employed by a rail carrier as police officers, who are sworn, licensed, or certified under State law for purposes of law enforcement and trained to meet training standards for law enforcement officers established by the relevant governmental appointing authority.

Qualifies such officers serving private institutions of higher education and rail carriers under that Act's programs of matching grants for law enforcement armor vests and technical assistance to States and local governments.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 10, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
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