

HR 4225

To modify the prohibition on recognition by United States courts of certain rights relating to certain marks, trade names, or commercial names.

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	May 20, 2004
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Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 S 2373	Identical bill	Apr 29, 2004: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Summary (as of Apr 28, 2004)

Amends the Department of Commerce and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1999 to prohibit a U.S. court from recognizing, enforcing, or otherwise validating the assertion of rights, including treaty rights, by an individual (currently, by a designated Cuban national) of a mark, trade name, or commercial name that was used in connection with a business or assets that were confiscated unless the original owner of such mark or name, or their bona fide successor, has expressly consented thereto. Makes such prohibition applicable only if the individual asserting the rights knew or had reason to know at the time of of acquiring the rights asserted that the mark or name was the same or substantially similar to the mark or name used in connection with the business or assets that were confiscated.

Actions Timeline

- **May 20, 2004:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property.
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