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Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response Firefighters Act of 2003

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Chamber: Senate

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 5, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Mar 5, 2003)

Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response Firefighters Act of 2003 - Amends the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 to require the establishment of an office within the United States Fire Administration to administer the Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) Firefighter grant program under this Act.

Authorizes the U.S. Fire Administrator to make direct four-year grants to State career, volunteer, and combination fire departments for staff increases in order to provide protection from terrorism and hazards. Specifies Federal grant contribution levels. Requires grantees to retain hired career firefighters for at least one year after grant termination. Terminates program authority ten years after enactment of this Act.

Authorizes the Administrator to: (1) give preferential hiring to career firefighters where non-federal contributions exceed the minimums provided for by this Act; and (2) provide technical assistance to States, local governments, Indian tribes, and other public entities.

Requires project evaluations.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 5, 2003:** Introduced in Senate
- **Mar 5, 2003:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S3194-3195)
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