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Comprehensive Child Protection Act of 2003

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • **State:** UT • **Chamber:** Senate

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 18, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Mar 18, 2003)

Comprehensive Child Protection Act of 2003 - Amends the Federal judicial code to establish within the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) a National Crimes Against Children Response Center which shall develop a national response plan model that provides a comprehensive, rapid response plan to report crimes involving the victimization of children and protects children from future crimes.

Sets forth the duties of the Director of the FBI with respect to that mission, including: (1) development of a national strategy; (2) creation of regional rapid response teams; and (3) outreach efforts to raise awareness and educate communities.

Amends the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994 to direct that the release of information under a State sex offender registration program include the maintenance of an Internet site containing such information that is available to the public. Directs the Crimes Against Children section of the Department of Justice to create a national Internet site that links all State Internet sites established under this Act.

Increases from 25 to 30 years the statute of limitations for child abuse offenses. Makes the confidential marital communication privilege and the adverse spousal privilege inapplicable in Federal proceedings where a spouse is charged with a crime against a child of either spouse or against a child under the custody or control of either spouse. Increases penalties for sex offenses.

Directs the Attorney General to appoint a Deputy Assistant Attorney General for Crimes Against Children.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 18, 2003:** Introduced in Senate
- **Mar 18, 2003:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S3889-3891)
- **Mar 18, 2003:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.