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HR 718

RAVE Act

Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

Introduced: Feb 12, 2003

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security. (Mar 6, 2003)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Coble, Howard [R-NC-6]

Party: Republican • State: NC • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Smith, Lamar [R-TX-21]	$R \cdot TX$		Feb 12, 2003
Rep. Boswell, Leonard L. [D-IA-3]	D · IA		Oct 16, 2003

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 26, 2003
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 6, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 S 151	Related bill	Apr 30, 2003: Became Public Law No: 108-21.
108 S 226	Related bill	Apr 10, 2003: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S5153-5154)

Summary (as of Feb 12, 2003)

Reducing Americans' Vulnerability to Ecstasy Act of 2003 or RAVE Act - Amends the Controlled Substances Act to prohibit knowingly leasing, renting, or using, or intentionally profiting from, any place (as well as opening, maintaining, leasing, or renting any place, as provided under current law), whether permanently or temporarily, for the purpose of manufacturing, storing, distributing, or using a controlled substance. Subjects violators to: (1) a civil penalty of the greater of \$250,000 or twice the gross receipts derived from each violation; and (2) declaratory and injunctive remedies.

Authorizes the court to apportion the penalty between multiple violators, but makes each violator jointly and severally liable.

Directs the U.S. Sentencing Commission to review and consider amending the Federal sentencing guidelines for offenses involving gamma hydroxybutyric acid to provide for increased penalties.

Authorizes appropriations to the Drug Enforcement Administration for: (1) a Demand Reduction Coordinator in each State; and (2) educating youth, parents, and other interested adults regarding drugs associated with raves.

Actions Timeline

- Mar 6, 2003: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- Feb 26, 2003: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Chairman.
- Feb 12, 2003: Introduced in House
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