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Wartime Treatment Study Act

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Policy Area: Immigration

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Feingold, Russell D. [D-WI]

Party: Democratic • **State:** WI • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (7 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Corzine, Jon S. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Jun 30, 2005
Sen. Grassley, Chuck [R-IA]	R · IA		Jun 30, 2005
Sen. Kennedy, Edward M. [D-MA]	D · MA		Jun 30, 2005
Sen. Lieberman, Joseph I. [D-CT]	D · CT		Jun 30, 2005
Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]	D · OR		Jun 30, 2005
Sen. Inouye, Daniel K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Jan 25, 2006
Sen. Jeffords, James M. [I-VT]	I · VT		May 16, 2006

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Reported By	Nov 17, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Immigration

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 3198	Identical bill	Aug 23, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security, and Claims.

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary has been expanded because action occurred on the measure.)

Wartime Treatment Study Act - **Title I: Commission On Wartime Treatment Of European Americans** - (Sec. 101) Establishes a seven member Commission on Wartime Treatment of European Americans. Requires the Commission to include two members representing the interests of Italian Americans and two members representing the interests of German Americans.

(Sec. 102) Directs the Commission to review U.S. government wartime treatment (from September 1, 1939, through December 31, 1948) of European Americans and European Latin Americans and include in such review: (1) civil liberties violations resulting from enforcement of the Alien Enemies Acts, Presidential Proclamations 2526, 2527, 2655, 2662, Executive Orders 9066 and 9095, and related directives pertaining to the registration, arrest, exclusion, internment, exchange, or deportation of European Americans and European Latin Americans; (2) U.S. government actions against European Americans under the Alien Enemies Acts and Executive Order 9066, including registration requirements, travel and property restrictions, internment, and forced abandonment of property; (3) participation by European Americans in the U.S. Armed Forces; and (4) appropriate remedies, including future protection of civil liberties during wartime.

Requires the Commission to: (1) hold public hearings; and (2) submit a written report to Congress on its findings and recommendations. Terminates the Commission 60 days after it submits its report. Authorizes appropriations.

Title II: Commission On Wartime Treatment Of Jewish Refugees - (Sec. 201) Establishes a seven member Commission on Wartime Treatment of Jewish Refugees. Requires the Commission to include two members representing the interests of Jewish refugees.

(Sec. 202) Directs the Commission to review the U.S. government's refusal to allow entry into the United States of Jewish and other refugees fleeing persecution in Europe between January 1, 1933, and December 31, 1945, including: (1) the underlying rationale for such refusal; (2) the perceived benefits of such refusal; (3) the impact of such refusal on the refugees; and (4) federal refugee policy, including recommendations for improving access of future victims of persecution or genocide to refuge in the United States.

Requires the Commission to: (1) hold hearings; and (2) submit a written report to Congress on its findings and recommendations. Terminates the Commission 60 days after it submits its report to Congress. Authorizes appropriations.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 17, 2005:** Committee on the Judiciary. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Nov 17, 2005:** Committee on the Judiciary. Reported by Senator Specter without amendment. Without written report.
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- **Nov 17, 2005:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 296.
- **Jun 30, 2005:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jun 30, 2005:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR 7/1/2005 S7837-7838)
- **Jun 30, 2005:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR 7/1/2005 S7838-7840)