

HR 1862

Drug Free Sports Act

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Policy Area: Health

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	May 17, 2005
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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 3084	Related bill	Sep 30, 2005: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 133.

Drug Free Sports Act - Directs the Secretary of Commerce to issue regulations requiring professional sports associations to adopt and enforce policies and procedures for testing athletes for the use of performance-enhancing substances, including regulations requiring: (1) random testing of each athlete annually without advance notification; (2) the Secretary to issue a list of substances for which each athlete is to be tested that includes prohibited substances as determined by the World Anti-Doping Agency and performance-enhancing substances for which testing is reasonable and practicable; (3) that such tests be administered by an independent party not affiliated with the professional sports associations; (4) suspension for a minimum of two years for a first positive test and permanent suspension for a second positive test; (5) disclosure to the public of the name of any athlete that tests positive; and (6) an opportunity for a prompt hearing and an appeal.

Allows the Secretary to: (1) exempt any professional sports association that has previously adopted and implemented policies and procedures that meet or exceed the requirements of such regulations; and (2) fine any such association for failure to adopt and enforce testing policies and procedures consistent with the regulations.

Requires the Comptroller General to study the use of performance-enhancing substances by college and secondary school athletes.

Actions Timeline

- **May 25, 2005:** Subcommittee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **May 25, 2005:** Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **May 19, 2005:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **May 17, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Workforce Protections.
- **May 17, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness.
- **May 17, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Education Reform.
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