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Second Chance Act of 2005

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Sen. Reed, Jack [D-RI]	D · RI		Sep 6, 2006
Sen. Dayton, Mark [D-MN]	D · MN		Sep 8, 2006
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Sen. Bennett, Robert F. [R-UT]	R · UT		Dec 5, 2006
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Oct 27, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 1704	Related bill	Jul 26, 2006: Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.

Summary (as of Oct 27, 2005)

Second Chance Act of 2005: Community Safety Through Recidivism Prevention or the Second Chance Act of 2005 - Amends the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to reauthorize, rewrite, and expand provisions regarding adult and juvenile offender reentry demonstration projects, including by authorizing funds for grants to: (1) provide structured post-release housing and transitional housing; and (2) establish or expand the use of reentry courts. Sets forth grant priorities and requirements, including that each applicant establish or empower a Reentry Task Force or other authority.

Authorizes the Attorney General to make a grant to provide for the establishment of a National Adult and Juvenile Offender Reentry Resource Center. Directs the Attorney General to establish an interagency task force on federal offender reentry programs. Authorizes research on offender reentry.

Directs: (1) the Secretary of Health and Human Services to review the role of state child protective services at the time of arrest; and (2) the Secretary of Labor to implement a program to educate employers and one-stop center workforce development providers about existing incentives and tax credits for hiring former prisoners.

Amends the federal criminal code to direct a court to revoke a term of supervised release or a sentence of probation for a defendant who commits a crime of violence against, or an offense of unlawful sexual contact with, a person under age 16.

Requires: (1) the Department of Justice to modify existing procedures and policies to enhance case planning and improve the transition of persons from the custody of the Bureau of Prisons to the community, including placement of such individuals in community corrections facilities; and (2) the Bureau to establish reentry planning procedures.

Actions Timeline

- **Oct 27, 2005:** Introduced in Senate
- **Oct 27, 2005:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S12014)
- **Oct 27, 2005:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.