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Court Security Improvement Act of 2005

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Sponsor

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Cornyn, John [R-TX]	R · TX		Nov 7, 2005
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	D · VT		Nov 7, 2005
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	D · IL		Mar 7, 2006
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Nov 7, 2005

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 1751	Related bill	Dec 7, 2006: Message on Senate action sent to the House.
109 HR 1710	Related bill	May 10, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.

Court Security Improvement Act of 2005 - Amends the federal judicial code to require the Director of the U.S. Marshals Service and the Judicial Conference of the United States to consult and coordinate with each other on a continuing basis on security requirements for the judicial branch.

Extends protections against disclosure of judges' personal information through 2009 and includes family members of judges in such disclosure protections.

Amends the federal criminal code to prohibit: (1) the recording of fictitious liens against the property of federal judges and law enforcement officers; (2) the public disclosure of restricted personal information about judges, law enforcement officials, jurors, witnesses, or their immediate family members, with the intent to harm such individuals; and (3) the possession of dangerous weapons in federal court facilities.

Amends the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to: (1) authorize the Attorney General to make grants to states, local governments, and Indian tribes to create and expand victim and witness protection programs; and (2) allow grants to states to improve security for for state and local court systems.

Amends the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994 to authorize grants to states to create and expand victim and witness protection programs.

Revises compensation standards for judges of the U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims.

Extends life insurance coverage to active and retired bankruptcy, magistrate, and territorial judges and health insurance coverage for surviving family members of federal judges.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 7, 2005:** Introduced in Senate
- **Nov 7, 2005:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S12448-12449)
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