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Stolen Valor Act of 2005

Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

Introduced: Nov 10, 2005

Current Status: Became Public Law No: 109-437.

Latest Action: Became Public Law No: 109-437. (Dec 20, 2006)

Law: 109-437 (Enacted Dec 20, 2006)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Conrad, Kent [D-ND]

Party: Democratic • State: ND • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (27 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State Role	Date Joined
Sen. Chambliss, Saxby [R-GA]	$R \cdot GA$	Nov 10, 2005
Sen. Dole, Elizabeth [R-NC]	$R \cdot NC$	Nov 10, 2005
Sen. Hagel, Chuck [R-NE]	R · NE	Nov 10, 2005
Sen. Isakson, Johnny [R-GA]	R · GA	Nov 10, 2005
Sen. Johnson, Tim [D-SD]	D·SD	Nov 10, 2005
Sen. Lautenberg, Frank R. [D-NJ]	D · NJ	Nov 10, 2005
Sen. Nelson, Ben [D-NE]	D · NE	Nov 10, 2005
Sen. Salazar, Ken [D-CO]	D · CO	Nov 10, 2005
Sen. Thune, John [R-SD]	$R \cdot SD$	Nov 10, 2005
Sen. Vitter, David [R-LA]	R·LA	Nov 10, 2005
Sen. Stevens, Ted [R-AK]	$R \cdot AK$	Nov 15, 2005
Sen. Burns, Conrad R. [R-MT]	$R \cdot MT$	Dec 12, 2005
Sen. Rockefeller, John D., IV [D-WV]	$D \cdot WV$	Feb 16, 2006
Sen. Bingaman, Jeff [D-NM]	$D \cdot NM$	Mar 1, 2006
Sen. Thomas, Craig [R-WY]	$R \cdot WY$	Mar 7, 2006
Sen. Inouye, Daniel K. [D-HI]	D · HI	Mar 29, 2006
Sen. Pryor, Mark L. [D-AR]	$D \cdot AR$	Mar 29, 2006
Sen. Byrd, Robert C. [D-WV]	$D \cdot WV$	Apr 25, 2006
Sen. Roberts, Pat [R-KS]	$R \cdot KS$	Apr 26, 2006
Sen. Allard, Wayne [R-CO]	$R \cdot CO$	May 1, 2006
Sen. Santorum, Rick [R-PA]	$R \cdot PA$	May 23, 2006
Sen. Lincoln, Blanche L. [D-AR]	$D \cdot AR$	May 26, 2006
Sen. Clinton, Hillary Rodham [D-NY]	$D \cdot NY$	Jun 5, 2006
Sen. Specter, Arlen [R-PA]	$R \cdot PA$	Jun 14, 2006
Sen. Lieberman, Joseph I. [D-CT]	D · CT	Jun 19, 2006
Sen. Enzi, Michael B. [R-WY]	$R \cdot WY$	Jul 10, 2006
Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]	D · NJ	Sep 7, 2006

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Discharged From	Sep 8, 2006
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 8, 2006

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 3352	Related bill	Aug 23, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Stolen Valor Act of 2005 - Amends the federal criminal code to expand the prohibition against wearing, manufacturing, or selling military decorations or medals without legal authorization to prohibit purchasing, soliciting, mailing, shipping, importing, exporting, producing blank certificates of receipt for, advertising, trading, bartering, or exchanging such decorations or medals without authorization.

Prohibits falsely representing oneself as having been awarded any decoration or medal authorized by Congress for the Armed Forces or any of the service medals or badges.

Increases penalties for violations if the offense involves a distinguished service cross, an Air Force Cross, a Navy Cross, a silver star, or a Purple Heart.

Actions Timeline

- Dec 20, 2006: Signed by President.
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- Dec 20, 2006: Became Public Law No: 109-437.
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- Dec 11, 2006: Presented to President.
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- Dec 6, 2006: Mr. Sensenbrenner moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- Dec 6, 2006: Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR 12/7/2006 H8819-8823)
- Dec 6, 2006: DEBATE The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on S. 1998.
- Dec 6, 2006: Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR 12/7/2006 H8819-8820)
- Dec 6, 2006: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR 12/7/2006 H8819-8820)
- Dec 6, 2006: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- Sep 8, 2006: Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- Sep 8, 2006: Received in the House.
- Sep 8, 2006: Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.
- Sep 7, 2006: Senate Committee on the Judiciary discharged by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S9215-9216;)
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- Sep 7, 2006: Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.(text as passed Senate: CR S9215-9216)
- Sep 7, 2006: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent. (text as passed Senate: CR S9215-9216)
- Nov 10, 2005: Introduced in Senate
- Nov 10, 2005: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S12688-12689)
- Nov 10, 2005: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.