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S 2155

A bill to provide meaningful civil remedies for victims of the sexual exploitation of children.

Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

Introduced: Dec 20, 2005

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (Dec 20, 2005)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Kerry, John F. [D-MA]

Party: Democratic • State: MA • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Isakson, Johnny [R-GA]	$R \cdot GA$		Dec 20, 2005
Sen. Landrieu, Mary L. [D-LA]	D · LA		Jan 18, 2006
Sen. Clinton, Hillary Rodham [D-NY]	$D \cdot NY$		Jun 6, 2006
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	$D \cdot VT$		Jul 12, 2006

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Dec 20, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 4703	Identical bill	Feb 14, 2006: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H229)

Summary (as of Dec 20, 2005)

Amends the federal criminal code to allow any person who was the victim of a sexual crime while a minor to sue in federal court for damages for resulting injury, regardless of whether the injury occurred while such person was a minor. (Current law allows a minor who is the victim of a sexual crime to sue.) Increases from \$50,000 to \$150,000 the minimum amount of damages such a victim shall be deemed to have sustained.

Actions Timeline

- Dec 20, 2005: Introduced in Senate
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