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HR 239

Freedom From Union Violence Act of 2005

Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security. (Mar 2, 2005)

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Rep. King, Steve [R-IA-5]	$R \cdot IA$	Sep 7, 2005
Rep. Blackburn, Marsha [R-TN-7]	$R \cdot TN$	Sep 14, 2005
Rep. Pickering, Charles W. "Chip" [R-MS-3]	$R \cdot MS$	Jun 9, 2006
Rep. Bartlett, Roscoe G. [R-MD-6]	$R \cdot MD$	Jul 24, 2006
Rep. Weldon, Dave [R-FL-15]	R·FL	Jul 24, 2006

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 2, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 S 618	Identical bill	Mar 14, 2005: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Summary (as of Jan 4, 2005)

Freedom From Union Violence Act of 2005 - Amends the Hobbs Act to authorize imposition of a fine of up to \$100,000, 20 years imprisonment, or both for: (1) obstructing, delaying, or affecting commerce or the movement of any article or commodity in commerce by robbery or extortion (or attempting or conspiring to do so); and (2) threatening physical violence to any person or property in furtherance of a plan or purpose to interfere with commerce by threats or violence.

Makes provisions regarding any such interference inapplicable to conduct that: (1) is incidental to otherwise peaceful picketing during the course of a labor dispute; (2) consists solely of minor bodily injury, or minor damage to property, or threat or fear of such minor injury or damage; and (3) is not part of a pattern of violent conduct or of coordinated violent activity. Subjects such conduct to prosecution only by the appropriate State and local authorities.

Actions Timeline

- Mar 2, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- Jan 4, 2005: Introduced in HouseJan 4, 2005: Introduced in House
- Jan 4, 2005: Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.