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S 2497

State Court Interpreter Grant Program Act

Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: Senate Policy Area: Law

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

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (Apr 3, 2006)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Kohl, Herb [D-WI]

Party: Democratic • State: WI • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	$D\cdotIL$		Apr 3, 2006
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 3, 2006

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Apr 3, 2006)

State Court Interpreter Grant Program Act - Directs the Administrator of the Office of Justice Programs of the Department of Justice to: (1) make grants to state courts to develop and implement programs to assist individuals with limited English proficiency to access and understand state court proceedings in which they are a party; and (2) allocate specified funds to establish a court interpreter technical assistance program to assist state courts receiving grants under this Act.

Authorizes the use of grant awards by state courts to: (1) assess regional language demands; (2) develop a court interpreter program; (3) develop, institute, and administer language certification examinations; (4) recruit, train, and certify qualified court interpreters; and (5) pay for salaries, transportation, and technology necessary to implement the court interpreter program.

Actions Timeline

- Apr 3, 2006: Introduced in Senate
- Apr 3, 2006: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S2734-2735)
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