HR 3506

Unsolved Civil Rights Crime Act

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Sep 19, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 S 2679	Related bill	**Aug 3, 2006:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 579.
109 HR 5236	Related bill	**Apr 27, 2006:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.
109 S 1369	Identical bill	**Jul 1, 2005:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Summary (as of Jul 28, 2005)

Unsolved Civil Rights Crime Act - Establishes an Unsolved Crimes Section in the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice. Requires the Chief of the Section to be responsible for investigating and prosecuting violations of criminal civil rights statutes in which the complaint alleges that such a violation occurred not later than December 31, 1969, and resulted in a death.

Requires the Chief to consult with state or local officials regarding the appropriate venue for a case where there has been a violation of a criminal civil rights statute that is also a violation of a state or local law.

Directs the Chief to refer cases to the Criminal Section of the Civil Rights Division if the Chief determines that the subject of the complaint has violated a criminal civil rights statute but the violation does not meet the requirements for the Unsolved Crimes Section.

Requires the Chief, annually, to determine the cases under his or her jurisdiction for which there is sufficient evidence to prosecute violations of criminal civil rights statutes.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 19, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- **Jul 29, 2005:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E1679)
- **Jul 28, 2005:** Introduced in House
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