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S 3873

Private Property Rights Protection Act of 2006

Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Civil Rights and Liberties, Minority Issues

Introduced: Sep 7, 2006

Current Status: Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 596. Latest Action: Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 596.

(Sep 8, 2006)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Inhofe, James M. [R-OK]

Party: Republican • State: OK • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Cornyn, John [R-TX]	$R \cdot TX$		Dec 5, 2006

Committee Activity

No committee referrals or activity are recorded for this bill.

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Civil Rights and Liberties, Minority Issues

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 4128	Related bill	Nov 4, 2005: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
109 HR 3135	Related bill	Oct 21, 2005: Subcommittee on the Constitution Discharged.

Private Property Rights Protection Act of 2006 - Prohibits any state or political subdivision, if it receives federal economic development funds during the fiscal year, from exercising, or allowing a delegate to exercise, the power of eminent domain: (1) for economic development; or (2) over property of a religious or other nonprofit organization by reason of its nonprofit or tax-exempt status..

Defines "economic development" as taking private property and conveying or leasing it to a private entity for commercial enterprise carried on for profit or to increase tax revenue, the tax base, employment, or general economic health.

Makes a state or political subdivision that violates such prohibition ineligible for any such funds for two fiscal years.

Prohibits the federal government from exercising its power of eminent domain: (1) for economic development; or (2) over property of a religious or other nonprofit organization by reason of its nonprofit or tax-exempt status.

Establishes a private cause of action for any private property owner who suffers injury from a violation of this Act.

Expresses the sense of Congress that: (1) the use of eminent domain for economic development is a threat to agricultural and other property in rural America; and (2) it is U.S. policy to promote the private ownership of property and to protect the legal rights of private property owners.

Expresses the sense of Congress that all precautions should be taken to avoid the unfair or unreasonable taking of property from survivors of Hurricane Katrina for economic development or other private use.

Actions Timeline

- Sep 8, 2006: Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 596.
- Sep 7, 2006: Introduced in Senate
- Sep 7, 2006: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S9133-9134)
- Sep 7, 2006: Introduced in the Senate. Read the first time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under Read the First Time.