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S 4028

Fighting Gangs and Empowering Youth Act of 2006

Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

Introduced: Sep 29, 2006

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR S1071 Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR S10719-

10732) (Sep 29, 2006)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]

Party: Democratic • State: NJ • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Sep 30, 2006

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Fighting Gangs and Empowering Youth Act of 2006 - Reauthorizes programs for combating criminal gangs, including, after-school programs, programs for safe and drug-free schools and communities, adult and juvenile offender reentry demonstration projects, and gang resistance education and training projects.

Establishes or increases funding for criminal gang-related grant programs, including: (1) innovative approaches to combat gang activity in the school and community; (2) grants to study parole or post-incarceration supervision violations and revocations; (3) substance abuse treatment; (4) mentoring programs of nonprofit organizations; (5) transition training for young offenders; (6) grants for certain at-risk youth and juvenile offenders aged 11 to 19; (7) gang activity policing grants; and (8) grants to prosecutors and law enforcement officials to combat violent crime and protect witnesses to crimes.

Public and Assisted Housing Gang Elimination Act of 2006 - Authorizes the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to make grants to public housing agencies and private entities to eliminate gang-related crime in low-income housing projects.

Amends the federal criminal code to increase penalties for: (1) use of interstate commerce facilities to commit murder-forhire or other crimes of violence; (2) violent crimes in aid of racketeering activity; and (3) use of firearms in crimes of violence and drug trafficking.

Imposes criminal penalties for violent crimes committed in furtherance or in aid of a criminal street gang and for recruiting persons to join criminal street gangs.

Extends the limitation period for prosecuting certain noncapital violent crimes. Requires the U.S. Sentencing Commission to revise guidelines relating to violent gang-related crimes.

Provides for certain studies and reports relating to criminal gangs, including the National Youth Gang Survey.

Actions Timeline

- Sep 29, 2006: Introduced in Senate
- Sep 29, 2006: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S10718-10719)
- Sep 29, 2006: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR S10719-10732)