

HR 4356

Emergency and Disaster Assistance Fraud Penalty Enhancement Act of 2005

Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

Introduced: Nov 17, 2005

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

Latest Action: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (Jun 21, 2006)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Sensenbrenner, F. James, Jr. [R-WI-5]

Party: Republican • **State:** WI • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Discharged from	Feb 24, 2006
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 21, 2006

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 S 3559	Identical bill	Jun 22, 2006: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
109 S 3547	Identical bill	Jun 21, 2006: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

(This measure has not been amended since it was reported to the House on May 19, 2006. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Emergency and Disaster Assistance Fraud Penalty Enhancement Act of 2005 - Amends the federal criminal code to prohibit fraud in any matter involving any benefit authorized, transported, transmitted, transferred, disbursed, or paid in connection with a major disaster or emergency declaration under the Disaster Relief Act of 1974 or in connection with the procurement of property or services related to a disaster by a contractor or supplier. Imposes a fine and/or prison term of up to 30 years for violations.

Imposes a fine of \$1 million and/or prison term of up to 30 years for wire, radio, television, or mail fraud in connection with a presidentially declared major disaster or emergency.

Directs the U.S. Sentencing Commission to: (1) promulgate or amend sentencing guidelines to provide for increased penalties for persons convicted of fraud or theft offenses in connection with a major disaster or emergency declaration; and (2) submit to the Judiciary Committees of Congress an explanation of actions taken to combat such offenses.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 21, 2006:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
- **Jun 20, 2006:** Mr. Sensenbrenner moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Jun 20, 2006:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H4231-4233)
- **Jun 20, 2006:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 4356.
- **Jun 20, 2006:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H4231-4232)
- **Jun 20, 2006:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H4231-4232)
- **Jun 20, 2006:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **May 19, 2006:** Reported by the Committee on Judiciary. H. Rept. 109-473.
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- **May 19, 2006:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 261.
- **Mar 2, 2006:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Mar 2, 2006:** Ordered to be Reported by Voice Vote.
- **Feb 24, 2006:** Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security Discharged.
- **Feb 6, 2006:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- **Nov 17, 2005:** Introduced in House
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