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HR 47

Citizens' Self-Defense Act of 2005 Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

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Name: Rep. Bartlett, Roscoe G. [R-MD-6]

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Rep. Taylor, Charles H. [R-NC-11]	$R \cdot NC$		Feb 1, 2005
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Rep. Sessions, Pete [R-TX-32]	$R \cdot TX$		Feb 8, 2005
Rep. Boozman, John [R-AR-3]	$R \cdot AR$		Feb 14, 2005
Rep. Rehberg, Dennis R. [R-MT-At Large]	$R \cdot MT$		Feb 14, 2005
Rep. Everett, Terry [R-AL-2]	$R \cdot AL$		Feb 15, 2005
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Rep. Foxx, Virginia [R-NC-5]	$R \cdot NC$		Mar 7, 2005
Rep. Herger, Wally [R-CA-2]	$R \cdot CA$		Mar 7, 2005
Rep. Petri, Thomas E. [R-WI-6]	$R \cdot WI$		Mar 7, 2005
Rep. Wamp, Zach [R-TN-3]	$R \cdot TN$		Mar 7, 2005
Rep. Hostettler, John N. [R-IN-8]	$R \cdot IN$		Mar 14, 2005
Rep. Boren, Dan [D-OK-2]	D · OK		Mar 17, 2005
Rep. Young, Don [R-AK-At Large]	$R \cdot AK$		Apr 6, 2005

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Rep. Davis, Jo Ann [R-VA-1]	R · VA	Roic	Apr 18, 2005
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Rep. Burton, Dan [R-IN-5]	R · IN		May 9, 2005
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Rep. Emerson, Jo Ann [R-MO-8]	R · MO		May 23, 2005
Rep. Hayworth, J. D. [R-AZ-5]	R · AZ		May 23, 2005
Rep. Kuhl, John R. "Randy", Jr. [R-NY-29]	R · NY		May 23, 2005
Rep. Putnam, Adam H. [R-FL-12]	R·FL		May 23, 2005
Rep. Bachus, Spencer [R-AL-6]	R·AL		Jun 8, 2005
Rep. Neugebauer, Randy [R-TX-19]	R · TX		Jun 8, 2005
Rep. Jindal, Bobby [R-LA-1]	R·LA		Jun 21, 2005
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Rep. Norwood, Charles W. [R-GA-9]	R · GA		Jun 24, 2005
Rep. Pence, Mike [R-IN-6]	R·IN		Jun 24, 2005
Rep. Westmoreland, Lynn A. [R-GA-8]	R · GA		Jun 24, 2005
Rep. Bishop, Sanford D., Jr. [D-GA-2]	D · GA		Jul 11, 2005
Rep. Cunningham, Randy (Duke) [R-CA-50]	R · CA		Jul 11, 2005
Rep. Feeney, Tom [R-FL-24]	R·FL		Jul 11, 2005
Rep. Kingston, Jack [R-GA-1]	R · GA		Jul 11, 2005
Rep. LaHood, Ray [R-IL-18]	R·IL		Jul 11, 2005
Rep. Rogers, Mike D. [R-AL-3]	R · AL		Jul 11, 2005
Rep. Kline, John [R-MN-2]	R · MN		Jul 28, 2005
Rep. Marchant, Kenny [R-TX-24]	$R \cdot TX$		Sep 19, 2005
Rep. Peterson, Collin C. [D-MN-7]	D · MN		Sep 19, 2005
Rep. Weldon, Dave [R-FL-15]	R·FL		Nov 7, 2005
Rep. Harris, Katherine [R-FL-13]	R·FL		Feb 1, 2006
Rep. Beauprez, Bob [R-CO-7]	R · CO		Mar 28, 2006
Rep. Deal, Nathan [R-GA-10]	R · GA		Jun 28, 2006

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 2, 2005



Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jan 4, 2005)

Citizens' Self-Defense Act of 2005 - Declares that a person not prohibited under the Brady Handgun Violence Prevention Act from receiving a firearm shall have the right to obtain firearms for security and to use firearms in defense of: (1) self or family against a reasonably perceived threat of imminent and unlawful infliction of serious bodily injury; (2) self or family in the course of the commission by another person of a violent felony against the person or a member of the person's family; and (3) the person's home in the course of the commission of a felony by another person.

Authorizes persons whose rights under this Act have been violated to bring an action in U.S. district court against the United States, any State, or any person for damages, injunctive relief, and such other relief as the court deems appropriate.

Sets forth provisions regarding: (1) the award of attorney's fees; and (2) the statute of limitations.

Actions Timeline

- Mar 2, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
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- Jan 4, 2005: Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.