

## HR 4993

Elder Justice Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Social Welfare

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## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	May 1, 2006
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 19, 2006
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 16, 2006
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 16, 2006

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Social Welfare

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 S 2010	Related bill	<b>Sep 19, 2006:</b> Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 617.

Elder Justice Act - Amends the Social Security Act (SSA) to add a new title XXII (Elder Justice) to establish: (1) within the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) an Office of Elder Justice (OEJ); (2) within the Office of the Secretary the Elder Justice Coordinating Council to make recommendations to the Secretary and the Attorney General for the coordination of activities of HHS, the Department of Justice, and other relevant federal, state, local, and private agencies and entities, relating to elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation and other crimes against elders; and (3) the Advisory Board on Elder Abuse, Neglect, and Exploitation.

Prescribes requirements for uniform collection, maintenance, and dissemination of national data relating to elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation, including an Elder Justice Resource Center in OEJ.

Authorizes the HHS Secretary to award grants for: (1) prevention of elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation; (2) five Centers of Excellence nationwide specializing in research, clinical practice, and training relating to elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation; (3) six diverse communities to examine various types of elder shelters and test various models for establishing safe havens; (4) nonprofit organizations and faith-based organizations to establish or continue volunteer programs focusing on the issues of elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation, or providing related services; and (5) various multidisciplinary elder justice activities.

Provides for: (1) reporting to law enforcement of crimes occurring in federally-funded long-term care facilities; (2) revising the quality of long-term care; and (3) increasing consumer information about long-term care, including an HHS long-term care consumer clearinghouse.

Amends: (1) the Older Americans Act of 1965 with respect to the long-term care ombudsman program; (2) part A (General Provisions) of SSA title XI to establish an adult protective services grant program; (3) SSA titles XVIII (Medicare) and XIX (Medicaid) to assure safety of residents when nursing facilities close; and (4) part E (Miscellaneous) to apply skilled nursing facility preventive abuse requirements to long-term care facilities and providers.

Establishes within the Department of Justice an Office of Elder Justice. Authorizes the Attorney General to award: (1) victim advocacy grants; and (2) grants for specified support to local and state prosecutors handling elder justice-related cases.

Amends the Internal Revenue Code to provide for a long-term care facility worker employment tax credit.

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## **Actions Timeline**

- **May 1, 2006:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Select Education.
- **Apr 19, 2006:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Chairman .
- **Mar 16, 2006:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 16, 2006:** Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary, Energy and Commerce, and Education and the Workforce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

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