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HR 962

To amend title 10, United States Code, to allow faculty members at Department of Defense service academies and schools of professional military education to secure copyrights for certain scholarly works that they produce as part of their official duties in order to submit such works for publication, and for other purposes.

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

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Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property. (Apr 4, 2005)

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 17, 2005
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Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 18, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Authorizes a faculty member of a military service academy (including the Coast Guard Academy and Merchant Marine Academy) or Department of Defense professional school (including the National Defense University) to secure Federal copyright protection for a scholarly work prepared as part of that person's official duties, but only for purposes of submitting such work for publication in a scholarly journal, publication, or other edited work for which such a copyright is required. Requires the faculty member to transfer such copyright to the owner or publisher of the medium for which the work will be published. Prohibits the acceptance of royalties or other compensation by reason of such copyright protection.

Actions Timeline

- Apr 4, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property.
- Mar 17, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.
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