

HR 179

Safe Access in Fire Emergencies Act of 2007

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 2, 2007
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Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Safe Access in Fire Emergencies Act of 2007 - Requires the Consumer Products Safety Commission to establish a consumer product safety standard for window bars that: (1) requires all window bars manufactured or installed in the United States to incorporate releasing systems that meet minimum standards; and (2) addresses such systems for interior and exterior based bars. Provides that the minimum standards shall require that such systems provide for: (1) egress when actuated; and (2) manual activation from inside a residence allowing escape through a protected opening.

Requires compliance enforcement under the Consumer Products Safety Act.

Directs the Commission to require each manufacturer to include in the packaging a statement explaining window bar installation and releasing system operation.

Expresses the sense of the Congress that public housing, low-income housing, manufactured housing units, and homes purchased using any loan made, insured, or guaranteed under the National Housing Act should meet a minimal standard that requires window bars to incorporate an emergency releasing system.

Requires the Commission to establish and maintain a National Electronic Injury Surveillance System code and system for collection of information and statistics on casualties associated with window bars.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 11, 2007:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity.
- **Feb 2, 2007:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection.
- **Jan 4, 2007:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 4, 2007:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Financial Services, 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.