

HR 2049

Protecting America's Workers Act

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Rep. Sherman, Brad [D-CA-27]	D · CA		Nov 20, 2008

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 9, 2007

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Labor and Employment

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 S 1244	Identical bill	Apr 26, 2007: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Protecting America's Workers Act - Amends the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (OSHA) to expand its coverage to federal, state, and local government employees.

Authorizes the Secretary of Labor, under specified conditions, to cede OSHA jurisdiction to another federal agency with respect to certain occupational standards or regulations for such agency's employees. Declares OSHA inapplicable to working conditions covered by the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977.

Sets forth increased protections for whistleblowers under OSHA.

Increases civil and criminal penalties for certain OSHA violators. Sets forth provisions relating to: (1) victims' rights; (2) posting of employee rights; (3) investigations of fatalities and serious injuries; (4) prohibition of unclassified citations; (5) right to contest citations and penalties; and (6) objections to modifications of citations.

Directs the Secretary to revise regulations and promulgate OSHA standards to require employers to provide personal protective equipment for employees at no cost to employees.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 9, 2007:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Workforce Protections.
- **Apr 26, 2007:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 26, 2007:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E879)
- **Apr 26, 2007:** Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.