

S 2495

Bail Bond Fairness Act of 2007

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

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Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (Dec 18, 2007)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Biden, Joseph R., Jr. [D-DE]

Party: Democratic • State: DE • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (7 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Cardin, Benjamin L. [D-MD]	D · MD		Dec 18, 2007
Sen. Graham, Lindsey [R-SC]	R · SC		Dec 18, 2007
Sen. Specter, Arlen [R-PA]	R · PA		Dec 18, 2007
Sen. Nelson, Bill [D-FL]	D · FL		Apr 10, 2008
Sen. Craig, Larry E. [R-ID]	R · ID		Apr 29, 2008
Sen. Crapo, Mike [R-ID]	R · ID		May 14, 2008
Sen. Martinez, Mel [R-FL]	R · FL		Jun 27, 2008

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Dec 18, 2007

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 HR 2286	Identical bill	Jun 26, 2007: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Summary (as of Dec 18, 2007)

Bail Bond Fairness Act of 2007 - Amends the federal criminal code to prohibit a judicial officer from declaring forfeited a bail bond for violation of specified collateral release conditions other than failing to appear in court. Makes forfeiture of a bail bond for violation of such collateral release conditions unavailable as a sanction.

Amends the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure to provide that if a defendant fails to appear physically before the court (currently, if there is a breach of a condition of a bond), the court shall declare a forfeiture of the bail.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 18, 2007:** Introduced in Senate
- **Dec 18, 2007:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S15913-15914)
- **Dec 18, 2007:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.