

S 2902

Independent Office of Advocacy and Small Business Regulatory Reform Act of 2008

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Commerce

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Current Status: Referred to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

Latest Action: Referred to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship. (Apr 29, 2008)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Snowe, Olympia J. [R-ME]

Party: Republican • **State:** ME • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Pryor, Mark L. [D-AR]	D · AR		Apr 23, 2008
Sen. Isakson, Johnny [R-GA]	R · GA		Jun 25, 2008

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Discharged From	Apr 29, 2008
Small Business and Entrepreneurship Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 29, 2008

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Commerce

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Independent Office of Advocacy and Small Business Regulatory Reform Act of 2008 - Requires the Office of Advocacy (Office) of the Small Business Administration (SBA) to carry out responsibilities concerning the analysis of regulatory functions, including regulatory flexibility analyses.

Requires: (1) each federal budget to include a separate statement of the amount requested for the Office, designated in a separate account in the General Fund of the Treasury; and (2) the SBA Administrator to provide the Office with appropriate and adequate office space, together with necessary equipment, operating budget, and communications facilities and services, and to provide necessary maintenance services for such offices and equipment.

Requires: (1) each federal agency to notify the SBA's Chief Counsel for Advocacy of any agency draft rules that may have a significant impact on a substantial number of small businesses; (2) each agency's final regulatory analysis of a final rule to include the agency's response to any comments of the Chief Counsel for Advocacy with respect to that rule, as well as changes made as a result of such comments; and (3) agencies to make final regulatory flexibility analyses available to the public, including on a website.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 29, 2008:** Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions discharged by Unanimous Consent.
- **Apr 29, 2008:** Referred to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.
- **Apr 23, 2008:** Introduced in Senate
- **Apr 23, 2008:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S3307-3308)
- **Apr 23, 2008:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (text of measure as introduced: CR S3308-3309)