HR 34

To establish a pilot program in certain United States district courts to encourage enhancement of expertise in patent cases among district judges.

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 2, 2007
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 13, 2007

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Feb 12, 2007)

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Establishes a pilot program in certain U.S. district courts under which: (1) those district judges who request to hear cases involving patent or plant variety protection issues are designated by the chief judge to hear them; (2) such cases are randomly assigned to the district court judges, regardless of whether they are designated; (3) a judge not designated to whom such a case is assigned may decline to accept the case; and (4) a case so declined is randomly reassigned to one of those judges so designated.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 13, 2007:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
- **Feb 12, 2007:** Mr. Berman moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Feb 12, 2007:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H1430-1433)
- **Feb 12, 2007:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 34.
- **Feb 12, 2007:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H1430)
- **Feb 12, 2007:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H1430)
- **Feb 12, 2007:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Feb 2, 2007:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property.
- **Jan 4, 2007:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 4, 2007:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.

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