

HR 4300

Juvenile Justice Accountability and Improvement Act of 2007

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 14, 2008

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Dec 6, 2007)

Juvenile Justice Accountability and Improvement Act of 2007 - Requires states to enact laws and adopt policies to grant child offenders who are under a life sentence a meaningful opportunity for parole at least once during their first 15 years of incarceration and at least once every three years thereafter. Defines "child offender who is under a life sentence" as an individual who is convicted of a criminal offense before attaining the age of 18 and sentenced to a term of natural life or its functional equivalent in years.

Requires the Attorney General to: (1) establish and implement a system of early release for each child offender who is under a life sentence in a federal prison; and (2) award grants to states to improve legal representation and other services for child defendants charged with an offense carrying a possible sentence of life in prison.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Jan 14, 2008:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- **Dec 6, 2007:** Introduced in House
- **Dec 6, 2007:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.