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KIDS Act of 2008

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

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Sponsor

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Sen. McCain, John [R-AZ]	R · AZ		Jan 30, 2007
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Sen. Grassley, Chuck [R-IA]	R · IA		Feb 8, 2007
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Sen. Specter, Arlen [R-PA]	R · PA		Feb 28, 2007
Sen. Clinton, Hillary Rodham [D-NY]	D · NY		Mar 20, 2007
Sen. Landrieu, Mary L. [D-LA]	D · LA		May 3, 2007
Sen. Kyl, Jon [R-AZ]	R · AZ		Jun 5, 2007
Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]	D · MN		Jun 21, 2007
Sen. Hutchison, Kay Bailey [R-TX]	R · TX		Jul 30, 2007
Sen. Kerry, John F. [D-MA]	D · MA		Aug 3, 2007
Sen. Johnson, Tim [D-SD]	D · SD		Nov 6, 2007
Sen. Cardin, Benjamin L. [D-MD]	D · MD		Dec 13, 2007
Sen. Cornyn, John [R-TX]	R · TX		Dec 13, 2007
Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]	D · CA		Dec 13, 2007
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	D · VT		Dec 13, 2007
Sen. Lieberman, Joseph I. [ID-CT]	ID · CT		Feb 26, 2008
Sen. Crapo, Mike [R-ID]	R · ID		Apr 2, 2008
Sen. Vitter, David [R-LA]	R · LA		Apr 10, 2008

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Reported By	Apr 22, 2008

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 HR 719	Identical bill	Nov 15, 2007: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Summary (as of Oct 13, 2008)

(This measure has not been amended since it was passed by the House on September 27, 2008. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Keeping the Internet Devoid of Sexual Predators Act of 2008 or the KIDS Act of 2008 - Directs the Attorney General to: (1) require sex offenders to provide to the National Sex Offender Registry all Internet identifiers (i.e., email addresses and other designations used for self-identification or routing in Internet communication or posting) used by such offenders; (2) specify requirements for keeping Internet identifier information current; (3) exempt Internet identifiers provided by a sex offender from public disclosure; and (4) establish procedures to notify sex offenders of changes in requirements for providing Internet identifier information.

Requires the Attorney General to establish and maintain a secure system to allow social networking websites to compare information contained in the National Sex Offender Registry with the Internet identifiers of users of their websites. Allows social networking websites to use such system to conduct searches as frequently as the Attorney General may allow. Authorizes the Attorney General to deny, suspend, or terminate use of the system by a social networking website for misuse.

Prohibits the Attorney General and social networking websites from releasing to the public any list of the Internet identifiers of sex offenders.

Exempts a social networking website from civil claims in federal or state court arising from: (1) use of the National Sex Offender Registry unless such website engages in actual malice, intentional misconduct, or reckless disregard to a substantial risk of causing injury without legal justification; and (2) any decision not to compare its database with the online identifiers contained in the National Sex Offender Registry.

Amends the Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006 to revise the minimum standards, under a pilot program, for electronic monitoring of sex offenders to eliminate requirements that the tracking device: (1) contain cellular technology in a single unit; and (2) provide two- and three-way voice communication.

Actions Timeline

- **Oct 13, 2008:** Signed by President.
- **Oct 13, 2008:** Became Public Law No: 110-400.
- **Oct 3, 2008:** Presented to President.
- **Oct 1, 2008:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Sep 30, 2008:** Resolving differences -- Senate actions: Senate agreed to the House amendment by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S10182-10183; text as Senate agreed to House amendment: CR S10182-10183)
- **Sep 30, 2008:** Senate agreed to the House amendment by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S10182-10183; text as Senate agreed to House amendment: CR S10182-10183)
- **Sep 30, 2008:** Cleared for White House.
- **Sep 29, 2008:** Message on House action received in Senate and at desk: House amendment to Senate bill.
- **Sep 27, 2008:** Mr. Conyers asked unanimous consent to take from the Speaker's table and consider.
- **Sep 27, 2008:** Considered by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR H10238-10241)
- **Sep 27, 2008:** Passed/agreed to in House: On passage Passed without objection.
- **Sep 27, 2008:** On passage Passed without objection.
- **Sep 27, 2008:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **May 21, 2008:** Received in the House.
- **May 21, 2008:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **May 21, 2008:** Held at the desk.
- **May 20, 2008:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S4549-4554; text of measure as reported in Senate: CR S4549-4551)
- **May 20, 2008:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with amendments by Unanimous Consent.(text: CR S4553-4554)
- **May 20, 2008:** Passed Senate with amendments by Unanimous Consent. (text: CR S4553-4554)
- **Apr 28, 2008:** By Senator Leahy from Committee on the Judiciary filed written report. Report No. 110-332.
- **Apr 22, 2008:** Committee on the Judiciary. Reported by Senator Leahy with amendments. Without written report.
- **Apr 22, 2008:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 706.
- **Dec 13, 2007:** Committee on the Judiciary. Ordered to be reported with amendments favorably.
- **Jan 30, 2007:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jan 30, 2007:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.