

## S 461

### Judicial Transparency and Ethics Enhancement Act of 2007

**Congress:** 110 (2007–2009, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Law

**Introduced:** Jan 31, 2007

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR S1437-

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**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/110th-congress/senate-bill/461>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Grassley, Chuck [R-IA]

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

### Cosponsors

*No cosponsors are listed for this bill.*

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jan 31, 2007

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Law

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 HR 785	Related bill	<b>Mar 1, 2007:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property.

### Summary (as of Jan 31, 2007)

Judicial Transparency and Ethics Enhancement Act of 2007 - Amends the federal judicial code to establish the Office of Inspector General for the Judicial Branch of the U.S. government, to be headed by an Inspector General appointed by the Chief Justice. Sets a term of four years, which may be extended by additional reappointments. Authorizes the Chief Justice to remove an Inspector General from office.

Requires the Office to: (1) conduct investigations of alleged misconduct in the Judicial Branch, including the U.S. Supreme Court; (2) conduct and supervise audits and investigations; and (3) prevent and detect waste, fraud, and abuse.

Provides for whistleblower protection.

## Actions Timeline

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