

HJRES 48

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States regarding the requirement of the approval of a two-thirds majority of the Supreme Court for any pardon or reprieve granted by the President.

Congress: 110 (2007–2009, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

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Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties. (Sep 10, 2007)

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Sponsor

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Sep 10, 2007

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Aug 3, 2007)

Constitutional Amendment - Provides that a presidential pardon or reprieve shall become effective only on the review and consent of two-thirds of the Justices of the Supreme Court pursuant to finding that such pardon or reprieve is consistent with the interests of justice and does not undermine the effectiveness, integrity, and impartiality of the federal criminal justice system.

Actions Timeline

- Sep 10, 2007:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.
- Aug 3, 2007:** Introduced in House
- Aug 3, 2007:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.