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Intellectual Property Rights Enforcement Act

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Hearings By (full committee)	Nov 7, 2007

Subjects & Policy Tags

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## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 HR 3578	Identical bill	<b>Oct 12, 2007:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property.

## Summary (as of Feb 7, 2007)

Intellectual Property Rights Enforcement Act - Amends the Treasury and General Government Appropriations Act, 2000 to repeal provisions establishing the National Intellectual Property Law Enforcement Coordination Council.

Establishes the Intellectual Property Enforcement Network (IPEN), consisting of specified representatives of various government agencies, to: (1) establish policies, objectives, and priorities concerning international intellectual property protection and law enforcement; (2) coordinate and facilitate implementation of such policies, objectives, and priorities; and (3) protect U.S. intellectual property rights overseas, including by creating an international task force.

Requires the agencies in IPEN to: (1) share the information they collect; (2) coordinate civil and criminal actions related to intellectual property rights; (3) establish formal processes for consulting and working with state and local government agencies and consulting with companies, writers, artists, labor unions, and other interested persons and groups; and (4) consult with the Register of Copyrights on law enforcement matters.

Urges the President and relevant agency officers, when meeting with certain foreign countries, to stress the importance of establishing and participating in the international task force.

Requires the Director of the Office of Management and Budget and the Coordinator of IPEN to submit to the President and the relevant congressional committees a strategic plan, which includes the goals, objectives, and priorities of IPEN.

Calls for other government intellectual property initiatives to be consolidated into the work of IPEN to prevent duplication.

## Actions Timeline

- **Nov 7, 2007:** Committee on the Judiciary. Hearings held.
- **Feb 7, 2007:** Introduced in Senate
- **Feb 7, 2007:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.