

HR 6344

Responsive Government Act of 2008

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Law

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Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property. (Jul 28, 2008)

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Rep. Conyers, John, Jr. [D-MI-14]	D · MI		Jun 23, 2008
Rep. Duncan, John J., Jr. [R-TN-2]	R · TN		Jun 23, 2008
Rep. Gallegly, Elton [R-CA-24]	R · CA		Jun 23, 2008
Rep. Hensarling, Jeb [R-TX-5]	R · TX		Jun 23, 2008
Rep. Jones, Stephanie Tubbs [D-OH-11]	D · OH		Jun 23, 2008
Rep. Pence, Mike [R-IN-6]	R · IN		Jun 23, 2008

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 24, 2008
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 28, 2008

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Responsive Government Act of 2008 - Amends the federal judicial code to authorize the chief judge of a district or court of appeals to delay, toll, or otherwise grant relief from time deadlines applicable to pending civil and criminal cases in the event of a natural disaster or other emergency situation requiring the closure of courts or rendering it impracticable to comply with such deadlines.

Grants the Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office authority to: (1) waive statutory provisions governing the filing, processing, renewal, and maintenance of patents, trademark registrations, and patent and trademark applications in certain emergencies; and (2) accept late application filings for patent extensions in certain cases of unintentional delay.

Prescribes filing fees for patent extensions, including: (1) \$65 million for an anticoagulant drug intended for use in humans; and (2) a formula for other items.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 28, 2008:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property.
- **Jun 24, 2008:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
- **Jun 23, 2008:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 23, 2008:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.
- **Jun 23, 2008:** Mr. Conyers moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Jun 23, 2008:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H5811-5816)
- **Jun 23, 2008:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 6344.
- **Jun 23, 2008:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H5811-5812)
- **Jun 23, 2008:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H5811-5812)
- **Jun 23, 2008:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.