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State Court Interpreter Grant Program Act

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Sponsor

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	D · IL		Feb 28, 2007
Sen. Kennedy, Edward M. [D-MA]	D · MA		Feb 28, 2007
Sen. Biden, Joseph R., Jr. [D-DE]	D · DE		Sep 19, 2007
Sen. Cardin, Benjamin L. [D-MD]	D · MD		Oct 26, 2007
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	D · VT		Feb 14, 2008
Sen. Specter, Arlen [R-PA]	R · PA		Mar 31, 2008
Sen. Lincoln, Blanche L. [D-AR]	D · AR		Jun 18, 2008

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Reported By	Aug 1, 2008

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Aug 1, 2008)

State Court Interpreter Grant Program Act - Directs the Administrator of the Office of Justice Programs of the Department of Justice to: (1) make grants to state courts to develop and implement programs to assist individuals with limited English proficiency to access and understand state court proceedings in which they are a party; and (2) allocate specified funds to establish a court interpreter technical assistance program to assist state courts receiving grants under this Act.

Authorizes the use of grant awards by state courts to: (1) assess regional language demands; (2) develop a court interpreter program; (3) develop, institute, and administer language certification examinations; (4) recruit, train, and certify qualified court interpreters; and (5) pay for salaries, transportation, and technology necessary to implement the court interpreter program.

Actions Timeline

- **Aug 1, 2008:** Committee on the Judiciary. Reported by Senator Leahy with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 110-436. Minority views filed.
- **Aug 1, 2008:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 932.
- **Apr 24, 2008:** Committee on the Judiciary. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Feb 28, 2007:** Introduced in Senate
- **Feb 28, 2007:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S2358-2359)
- **Feb 28, 2007:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR S2359-2360)