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HR 73

Citizens' Self-Defense Act of 2007 Congress: 110 (2007–2009, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 2, 2007



Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jan 4, 2007)

Citizens' Self-Defense Act of 2007 - Declares that a person not prohibited under the Brady Handgun Violence Prevention Act from receiving a firearm shall have the right to obtain firearms for security and to use firearms in defense of: (1) self or family against a reasonably perceived threat of imminent and unlawful infliction of serious bodily injury; (2) self or family in the course of the commission by another person of a violent felony against the person or a member of the person's family; and (3) the person's home in the course of the commission of a felony by another person.

Authorizes persons whose rights under this Act have been violated to bring an action in U.S. district court against the United States, any state, or any person for damages, injunctive relief, and such other relief as the court deems appropriate.

Sets forth provisions regarding: (1) the award of attorney's fees; and (2) the statute of limitations.

Actions Timeline

- Feb 2, 2007: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- Jan 4, 2007: Introduced in House
- Jan 4, 2007: Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.