

S 1234

A bill to modify the prohibition on recognition by United States courts of certain rights relating to certain marks, trade names, or commercial names.

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Law

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Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (Jun 11, 2009)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Lieberman, Joseph I. [ID-CT]

Party: Democratic • **State:** CT • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (11 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Bunning, Jim [R-KY]	R · KY		Jun 11, 2009
Sen. Burr, Richard [R-NC]	R · NC		Jun 11, 2009
Sen. Cochran, Thad [R-MS]	R · MS		Jun 11, 2009
Sen. Ensign, John [R-NV]	R · NV		Jun 11, 2009
Sen. Martinez, Mel [R-FL]	R · FL		Jun 11, 2009
Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Jun 11, 2009
Sen. Nelson, Bill [D-FL]	D · FL		Jun 11, 2009
Sen. Vitter, David [R-LA]	R · LA		Jun 11, 2009
Sen. Sessions, Jeff [R-AL]	R · AL		Oct 29, 2009
Sen. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS]	R · MS		Nov 9, 2009
Sen. LeMieux, George S. [R-FL]	R · FL		Jan 21, 2010

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 11, 2009

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Law

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 HR 1103	Identical bill	Mar 16, 2009: Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts and Competition Policy.

Summary (as of Jun 11, 2009)

Amends the Department of Commerce and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1999 to prohibit U.S. courts from recognizing, enforcing, or otherwise validating any assertion of rights by an individual (under current law, by a designated Cuban national) of a mark, trade name, or commercial name that was used in connection with a business or assets that were confiscated by the Cuban government unless the original owner of such mark or name, or such owner's bona fide successor, has expressly consented. Applies such prohibition only if the individual asserting the rights knew or had reason to know at the time of acquiring the rights asserted that the mark or name was the same or substantially similar to the mark or name used in connection with the business or assets that were confiscated.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 11, 2009:** Introduced in Senate
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