

## HR 17

Citizens' Self-Defense Act of 2009

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Crime and Law Enforcement

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Rep. Fleming, John [R-LA-4]	R · LA		Mar 17, 2009
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Rep. Marchant, Kenny [R-TX-24]	R · TX		Apr 28, 2009
Rep. Bilirakis, Gus M. [R-FL-9]	R · FL		Jun 2, 2009
Rep. Platts, Todd Russell [R-PA-19]	R · PA		Jun 2, 2009
Rep. Posey, Bill [R-FL-15]	R · FL		Jun 10, 2009
Rep. Alexander, Rodney [R-LA-5]	R · LA		Jul 29, 2009
Rep. Cole, Tom [R-OK-4]	R · OK		Sep 8, 2009
Rep. Putnam, Adam H. [R-FL-12]	R · FL		Dec 3, 2009

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 9, 2009

### Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

### Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

### Summary (as of Jan 6, 2009)

Citizens' Self-Defense Act of 2009 - 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.

### Actions Timeline

- **Feb 9, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- **Jan 6, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 6, 2009:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.