

HR 1748

Fight Fraud Act of 2009

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Sponsor

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Rep. Delahunt, Bill [D-MA-10]	D · MA		Mar 26, 2009
Rep. Jackson-Lee, Sheila [D-TX-18]	D · TX		Mar 26, 2009
Rep. Smith, Lamar [R-TX-21]	R · TX		Mar 26, 2009
Rep. Gonzalez, Charles A. [D-TX-20]	D · TX		Apr 22, 2009
Rep. Moore, Dennis [D-KS-3]	D · KS		Apr 23, 2009
Rep. Walz, Timothy J. [D-MN-1]	D · MN		Apr 23, 2009
Rep. Sherman, Brad [D-CA-27]	D · CA		Apr 30, 2009

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Financial Services Committee	House	Discharged From	May 4, 2009
Judiciary Committee	House	Reported By	May 4, 2009
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Discharged From	May 4, 2009

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 S 386	Related bill	May 20, 2009: Became Public Law No: 111-21.

Fight Fraud Act of 2009 - (Sec. 2) Amends the federal criminal code to include within the definition of "financial institution" a mortgage lending business or any person or entity that makes, in whole or in part, a federally related mortgage loan. Defines "mortgage lending business" as an organization that finances or refinances any debt secured by an interest in real estate, including private mortgage companies and their subsidiaries, and whose activities affect interstate or foreign commerce.

Extends the prohibition against making false statements in a mortgage application to employees and agents of a mortgage lending business.

Applies the prohibition against defrauding the federal government to fraudulent activities involving the Troubled Asset Relief Program (TARP) or a federal economic stimulus, recovery, or rescue plan.

Expands securities fraud provisions to cover fraud involving options and futures in commodities.

(Sec. 3) Authorizes appropriations to the Attorney General for FY2010-FY2011 for investigations, prosecutions, and civil proceedings involving federal assistance programs and financial institutions. Allocates such funds among various departments of the Department of Justice (DOJ).

Authorizes additional appropriations to the U.S. Postal Service, the Inspector General for the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and the U.S. Secret Service for FY2010-FY2011 for similar investigations.

Requires the Attorney General to report to Congress on amounts expended for fraud investigations and prosecutions and on amounts recovered from criminal or civil restitution, fines, penalties relating to such investigations and prosecutions.

(Sec. 4) Authorizes the Attorney General to award grants to states and Indian tribes to establish and develop programs for enforcement against mortgage fraud, securities and commodities fraud, and financial institution fraud, including enforcement against the use of computers use to commit such fraud. Sets forth requirements for grant applications and the use of grant funds.

Authorizes appropriations for FY2010-FY2011.

(Sec. 5) Amends the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to authorize the Attorney General to award grants and enter into contracts with state and local criminal justice agencies and nonprofit organizations to improve the detection, investigation, and prosecution of covered criminal activities. Defines "covered criminal activity" as a criminal conspiracy or activity or a terrorist conspiracy or activity that spans jurisdictional boundaries, including: (1) terrorism; (2) economic crime, including financial fraud and mortgage fraud; and (3) high-tech crime, including Internet-based crime against children and child pornography.

Authorizes appropriations for FY2010-FY2015.

Actions Timeline

- **May 4, 2009:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Judiciary. H. Rept. 111-95, Part I.
- **May 4, 2009:** Committee on Oversight and Government discharged.
- **May 4, 2009:** Committee on Financial Services discharged.
- **May 4, 2009:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 43.
- **Apr 28, 2009:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Apr 28, 2009:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Apr 1, 2009:** Committee Hearings Held.
- **Mar 26, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 26, 2009:** Referred to House Judiciary
- **Mar 26, 2009:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Oversight and Government Reform, and Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
- **Mar 26, 2009:** Referred to House Oversight and Government Reform
- **Mar 26, 2009:** Referred to House Financial Services