

HR 1923

Fairness in Firearm Testing Act

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Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Judiciary Committee | House | Referred to | May 26, 2009 |
| Ways and Means Committee | House | Referred To | Apr 2, 2009 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Apr 2, 2009)

Fairness in Firearm Testing Act - Amends the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to direct the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF) to make a video recording of the entire process of its examination and testing of an item for the purpose of determining whether the item is a firearm (and if so, the type of firearm) or ammunition. Bars ATF from editing or erasing any such recording.

Directs ATF to make available a digital video disc that contains a copy of the recording: (1) at the request of a person who claims an ownership interest in such item; and (2) to a defendant in a criminal proceeding involving such item. Provides that an item which ATF has determined is a firearm or ammunition shall not be admissible as evidence unless: (1) ATF has complied with the requirements of this Act to make its digital video disc available; or (2) such compliance has been waived in writing by the person against whom the item is offered as evidence.

Actions Timeline

- **May 26, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- **Apr 2, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 2, 2009:** Referred to House Judiciary
- **Apr 2, 2009:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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.
- **Apr 2, 2009:** Referred to House Ways and Means