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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Kohl, Herb [D-WI]

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

Cosponsors (10 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]	D · OH		Jan 12, 2009
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	D · IL		Jan 12, 2009
Sen. Feingold, Russell D. [D-WI]	D · WI		Jan 12, 2009
Sen. Grassley, Chuck [R-IA]	R · IA		Jan 12, 2009
Sen. Lautenberg, Frank R. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Jan 12, 2009
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	D · VT		Jan 12, 2009
Sen. Levin, Carl [D-MI]	D · MI		Jan 12, 2009
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Jan 12, 2009
Sen. Snowe, Olympia J. [R-ME]	R · ME		Jan 12, 2009
Sen. Specter, Arlen [R-PA]	R · PA		Jan 12, 2009

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jan 12, 2009

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

No Oil Producing and Exporting Cartels Act of 2009 or NOPEC - Amends the Sherman Act to declare it to be illegal and a violation of the Act for any foreign state or instrumentality thereof to act collectively or in combination with any other foreign state or any other person, whether by cartel or any other association or form of cooperation or joint action, to limit the production or distribution of oil, natural gas, or any other petroleum product (petroleum), to set or maintain the price of petroleum, or to otherwise take any action in restraint of trade for petroleum, when such action has a direct, substantial, and reasonably foreseeable effect on the market, supply, price, or distribution of petroleum in the United States.

Denies a foreign state engaged in such conduct sovereign immunity from the jurisdiction or judgements of U.S. courts in any action brought to enforce this Act.

States that no U.S. court shall decline, based on the act of state doctrine, to make a determination on the merits in an action brought under this Act.

Authorizes the Attorney General to bring an action in U.S. district court to enforce this Act.

Amends the federal judicial code to make an exception to the jurisdictional immunity of a foreign state in an action brought under this Act.

Actions Timeline

- **Jan 12, 2009:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jan 12, 2009:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S311)
- **Jan 12, 2009:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR S311-312)