

## S 603

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

**Congress:** 112 (2011–2013, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Law

**Introduced:** Mar 16, 2011

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

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (Mar 16, 2011)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/112th-congress/senate-bill/603>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Nelson, Bill [D-FL]

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

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Sen. Burr, Richard [R-NC]	R · NC		Mar 16, 2011
Sen. Rubio, Marco [R-FL]	R · FL		Mar 17, 2011
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Sen. Isakson, Johnny [R-GA]	R · GA		May 11, 2011
Sen. Cochran, Thad [R-MS]	R · MS		May 12, 2011
Sen. Sessions, Jeff [R-AL]	R · AL		May 12, 2011
Sen. Lieberman, Joseph I. [ID-CT]	ID · CT		Jun 7, 2011
Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Sep 8, 2011

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 16, 2011

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Law

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 HR 1166	Related bill	<b>Jun 1, 2011:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Intellectual Property, Competition and the Internet.

## Summary (as of Mar 16, 2011)

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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

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- **Mar 16, 2011:** Introduced in Senate
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