

## HR 727

### Judicial Transparency and Ethics Enhancement Act of 2011

**Congress:** 112 (2011–2013, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Law

**Introduced:** Feb 15, 2011

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, Commercial and Administrative Law.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, Commercial and Administrative Law. (Feb 28, 2011)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/112th-congress/house-bill/727>

## Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Sensenbrenner, F. James, Jr. [R-WI-5]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** WI • **Chamber:** House

## Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 28, 2011

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Law

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 S 348	Related bill	Feb 15, 2011: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

## Summary (as of Feb 15, 2011)

Judicial Transparency and Ethics Enhancement Act of 2011 - Amends the federal judicial code to establish the Office of Inspector General for the Judicial Branch of the U.S. government, to be headed by an Inspector General appointed by the Chief Justice. Sets a term of four years, which may be extended by additional reappointments. Authorizes the Chief Justice to remove an Inspector General from office.

Requires the Office, except with respect to the Supreme Court, to: (1) conduct investigations of alleged misconduct in the Judicial Branch; (2) conduct and supervise audits and investigations; and (3) prevent and detect waste, fraud, and abuse.

Provides for whistleblower protection.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Feb 28, 2011:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, Commercial and Administrative Law.
- **Feb 15, 2011:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 15, 2011:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.