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Fire Police Fairness Act

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

Introduced: May 7, 2013

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

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (May 7, 2013)

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Committee Activity

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Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

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| 113 HR 1828 | Related bill | Jun 14, 2013: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations. |

Summary (as of May 7, 2013)

Fire Police Fairness Act - Amends the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to include a fire police officer as a public safety officer for purposes of death benefits provisions. Defines a "fire police officer" as an individual who: (1) is serving in accordance with state or local law as a member of a legally organized public safety agency; (2) is not a law enforcement officer, a firefighter, a chaplain, or a member of a rescue squad or ambulance crew; and (3) provides scene security or directs traffic in response to any fire, rescue, or police emergency or at a planned special event.

Makes conforming amendments to the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (USA PATRIOT Act).

Actions Timeline

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