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Kevin and Avonte's Law of 2017

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Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Grassley, Chuck [R-IA]

Party: Republican • **State:** IA • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (12 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	D · IL		Nov 2, 2017
Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]	D · MN		Nov 2, 2017
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Nov 2, 2017
Sen. Tillis, Thomas [R-NC]	R · NC		Nov 2, 2017
Sen. Burr, Richard [R-NC]	R · NC		Nov 8, 2017
Sen. Coons, Christopher A. [D-DE]	D · DE		Nov 8, 2017
Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]	D · CA		Dec 1, 2017
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	D · VT		Dec 1, 2017
Sen. Van Hollen, Chris [D-MD]	D · MD		Dec 4, 2017
Sen. Donnelly, Joe [D-IN]	D · IN		Dec 7, 2017
Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Dec 19, 2017
Sen. Baldwin, Tammy [D-WI]	D · WI		Dec 20, 2017

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Committee on House Administration	House	Referred To	Dec 22, 2017
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Dec 22, 2017
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Reported By	Dec 1, 2017
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Dec 22, 2017
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Referred To	Dec 22, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 1625	Related bill	Mar 23, 2018: Became Public Law No: 115-141.
115 HR 195	Related bill	Jan 22, 2018: Became Public Law No: 115-120.
115 HR 4221	Identical bill	Nov 30, 2017: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (E1621-1622)
115 HR 1195	Related bill	Mar 7, 2017: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Power and Oceans.

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TITLE I--MISSING ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE PATIENT ALERT PROGRAM REAUTHORIZATION

Missing Americans Alert Program Act of 2017

(Sec. 102) This bill amends the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994 to revise and rename the Missing Alzheimer's Disease Patient Alert Program as the Missing Americans Alert Program and to reauthorize it through FY2022.

It directs the Department of Justice's (DOJ's) Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) to award competitive grants to health care, law enforcement, or public safety agencies, and nonprofit organizations, to develop or operate locally based proactive programs to prevent wandering and locate missing individuals with dementia or children with developmental disabilities. The BJA must give preference to law enforcement or public safety agencies partnering with nonprofit organizations that use person-centered plans and are directly linked to individuals, and families of individuals, with dementia or developmental disabilities.

Additionally, it directs the BJA to award grants to health care, law enforcement, or public safety agencies to develop tracking technology programs to locate missing individuals with dementia or children with developmental disabilities.

The bill subjects grants under the Missing Americans Program to accountability provisions. DOJ's Office of Inspector General must conduct annual audits of selected grant recipients. The bill prohibits grants to nonprofit organizations that hold money in an offshore account to avoid tax liability. It also limits the use of grants under this bill for conferences that use more than \$20,000 in DOJ funds.

DOJ must identify and report on duplicative grant awards. DOJ must also report annually to Congress certain information regarding the Missing Americans Alert Program.

TITLE II--EDUCATION AND OUTREACH

(Sec. 201) The bill amends the Missing Children's Assistance Act to specify that, with respect to training and technical assistance provided by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, cases involving missing and exploited children include cases involving children with developmental disabilities such as autism.

TITLE III--PRIVACY PROTECTIONS

(Sec. 302) DOJ must establish and certain grant recipients must comply with standards and best practices related to the use of tracking technology to locate missing individuals with dementia or developmental disabilities.

The bill prohibits the use of data from tracking devices to create a federal database. It also prohibits construing this bill to require a parent or guardian to use a tracking device.

TITLE IV--OFFSET BY RESTRICTING DISTRIBUTION OF FREE PRINTED COPIES OF FEDERAL REGISTER

Federal Register Printing Savings Act of 2017

(Sec. 402) The bill bars the Government Publishing Office from furnishing a printed copy of the Federal Register without

charge to any Member of Congress or any other office of the United States during a year unless:

- the Member or office requests a printed copy of a specific issue of the Federal Register; or
- during that year or the previous year, the Member or office requested a subscription to printed copies of the Federal Register for that year.

Actions Timeline

- **Jan 18, 2018:** By Senator Grassley from Committee on the Judiciary filed written report. Report No. 115-200.
- **Dec 22, 2017:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Dec 22, 2017:** Received in the House.
- **Dec 22, 2017:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Education and the Workforce, Oversight and Government Reform, and House Administration, 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.
- **Dec 21, 2017:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S8271-8276)
- **Dec 21, 2017:** The committee amendment agreed to by Unanimous Consent.
- **Dec 21, 2017:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with amendments by Voice Vote.(text: CR S8274-8276)
- **Dec 21, 2017:** Passed Senate with amendments by Voice Vote. (text: CR S8274-8276)
- **Dec 1, 2017:** Committee on the Judiciary. Reported by Senator Grassley with an amendment. Without written report.
- **Dec 1, 2017:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 270.
- **Nov 16, 2017:** Committee on the Judiciary. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Nov 2, 2017:** Introduced in Senate
- **Nov 2, 2017:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (Sponsor introductory remarks on measure: CR S7002-7003)