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MERCY Act

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

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

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (Feb 7, 2017)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Booker, Cory A. [D-NJ]

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

Cosponsors (8 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Casey, Robert P., Jr. [D-PA]	D · PA		Feb 7, 2017
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	D · IL		Feb 7, 2017
Sen. Lankford, James [R-OK]	R · OK		Feb 7, 2017
Sen. Lee, Mike [R-UT]	R · UT		Feb 7, 2017
Sen. Paul, Rand [R-KY]	R · KY		Feb 7, 2017
Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]	D · OR		Feb 28, 2017
Sen. Sanders, Bernard [I-VT]	I · VT		Jun 6, 2017
Sen. Cortez Masto, Catherine [D-NV]	D · NV		Oct 5, 2018

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 7, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 1906	Related bill	Apr 26, 2017: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations.
115 S 827	Related bill	Apr 5, 2017: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
115 HR 901	Identical bill	Mar 9, 2017: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations.

Maintaining dignity and Eliminating unnecessary Restrictive Confinement of Youths Act of 2017 or the MERCY Act

This bill amends the federal criminal code to prohibit juvenile solitary confinement, except as a temporary response to behavior that poses a serious and immediate risk of harm.

Actions Timeline

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