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Courthouse Dogs Act

Congress: 116 (2019–2021, Ended)
Chamber: Senate
Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement
Introduced: Apr 4, 2019
Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security. (Jan 30, 2020)
Official Text: https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/senate-bill/1029

Sponsor

Name: Sen. Cornyn, John [R-TX]
Party: Republican • **State:** TX • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]	D · CA		Apr 4, 2019
Sen. Blackburn, Marsha [R-TN]	R · TN		Dec 18, 2019
Sen. Ernst, Joni [R-IA]	R · IA		Dec 18, 2019
Sen. Warren, Elizabeth [D-MA]	D · MA		Dec 18, 2019

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Discharged From	Dec 20, 2019
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 30, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 5403	Identical bill	**Jan 28, 2020:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, and the Internet.

Summary (as of Dec 19, 2019)

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This bill authorizes federal courts to allow a certified facility dog to accompany a witness testifying in a criminal proceeding.

Actions Timeline

- **Jan 30, 2020:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- **Dec 23, 2019:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Dec 23, 2019:** Received in the House.
- **Dec 23, 2019:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.
- **Dec 19, 2019:** Senate Committee on the Judiciary discharged by Unanimous Consent.
- **Dec 19, 2019:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S7233-7234)
- **Dec 19, 2019:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.(text: CR S7233-7234)
- **Dec 19, 2019:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent. (text: CR S7233-7234)
- **Apr 4, 2019:** Introduced in Senate
- **Apr 4, 2019:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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