

HR 7194

Mandatory Minimum Reform Act of 2020

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

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Sponsor

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Rep. Pocan, Mark [D-WI-2]	D · WI		Jun 11, 2020
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	Jun 11, 2020
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Jun 11, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Mandatory Minimum Reform Act of 2020

This bill eliminates most mandatory minimum prison terms for drug offenses involving the import, export, manufacture, distribution, or possession with intent to distribute a controlled substance.

Additionally, it eliminates mandatory minimum prison terms for the following drug offenses:

- simple possession,
- distribution to an individual under age 21 by an individual at least age 18,
- distribution or manufacture in a school zone, and
- use of an individual under age 18 to distribute.

Finally, the bill requires prior written approval of the Attorney General to prosecute a defendant for certain drug offenses that involve low-level drug quantities (e.g., less than one kilogram of heroin or less than 500 grams of cocaine-based substances).

Actions Timeline

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