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BRICKS Act of 2021

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Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jan 22, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 687	Identical bill	Mar 22, 2021: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.

Blocking Rioters and Insurrectionists from our Cities to Keep us Safe Act of 2021 or the BRICKS Act of 2021

This bill increases criminal penalties for rioting and related offenses (e.g., inciting a riot).

First, the bill increases from 5 to 10 years the statutory maximum prison term for a rioting offense.

Second, it establishes higher statutory maximum penalties for rioting offenses that involve certain aggravating characteristics. Specifically, it provides

- a prison term of up to 25 years for a rioting offense that results in serious bodily injury or includes a dangerous weapon, explosives, or fire; and
- a prison term of any years or for life for a rioting offense that results in death or includes kidnapping, attempt to kidnap, aggravated sexual abuse, attempt to commit aggravated sexual abuse, or attempt to kill.

Actions Timeline

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