

HR 3732

Enhancing Oversight To End Discrimination in Policing Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

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Sponsor

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Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]	D · OR		Jul 20, 2021
Rep. Jackson Lee, Sheila [D-TX-18]	D · TX		Jul 20, 2021
Rep. Evans, Dwight [D-PA-3]	D · PA		Jul 27, 2021
Rep. Castor, Kathy [D-FL-14]	D · FL		Jul 30, 2021

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Nov 1, 2022
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Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 1989	Identical bill	Jun 9, 2021: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Summary (as of Jun 4, 2021)

Enhancing Oversight to End Discrimination in Policing Act

This bill expands the capacity to enforce a law that prohibits patterns or practices of misconduct by state and local law enforcement agencies.

Current law prohibits state and local law enforcement agencies from engaging in patterns or practices of conduct that violate constitutional or federal rights. Further, current law authorizes the Department of Justice (DOJ) to file civil cases to eliminate the pattern or practice of misconduct. Typically, DOJ's Civil Rights Division conducts pattern-or-practice investigations and resolves any misconduct through a consent decree instead of a trial.

This bill provides statutory authority for state attorneys general to bring pattern-or-practice cases in federal court. The bill also authorizes grants to help states pursue pattern-or-practice investigations and cases.

Additionally, the bill authorizes additional amounts for DOJ's Civil Rights Division and requires a certain portion to be used for enforcement and technical assistance related to pattern-or-practice cases.

Finally, the bill requires DOJ's Civil Rights Division to modify the procedures for consent decrees and settlement agreements to ensure that the consent decrees and settlement agreements (1) foster the creation and use of alternative remedies such as mental health support or community-based restorative justice mechanisms; and (2) incorporate community oversight requirements, such as a community oversight body.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 1, 2022:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.
- **Nov 1, 2022:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- **Jun 4, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 4, 2021:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.