

## S 3772

### Defending American Courts Act

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Commerce

**Introduced:** Mar 8, 2022

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

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (Mar 8, 2022)

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### Sponsor

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Coons, Christopher A. [D-DE]	D · DE		Mar 8, 2022
Sen. Cotton, Tom [R-AR]	R · AR		Mar 8, 2022
Sen. Hirono, Mazie K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Mar 8, 2022
Sen. Scott, Rick [R-FL]	R · FL		Mar 8, 2022

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 8, 2022

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Commerce

### Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

### Summary (as of Mar 8, 2022)

#### Defending American Courts Act

This bill imposes limitations relating to a person (i.e., individual or entity) that seeks to use an injunction from a foreign tribunal to restrict a patent infringement claim in the United States.

For example, if the person asserting such a foreign injunction has been found liable for patent infringement in a U.S. court, that court shall, with certain exceptions, make specified presumptions that generally increase the likelihood of the court (1) increasing the damages awarded in the case, and (2) awarding attorney fees to the patent owner.

## **Actions Timeline**

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