

## S 4988

### Federal Prison Oversight Act

**Congress:** 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Government Operations and Politics

**Introduced:** Sep 28, 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. (Sep 28, 2022)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/senate-bill/4988>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Ossoff, Jon [D-GA]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** GA • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Braun, Mike [R-IN]	R · IN		Sep 28, 2022
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	D · IL		Sep 28, 2022

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Sep 28, 2022

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 9009	Identical bill	<b>Sep 28, 2022:</b> Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Reform.

### Summary (as of Sep 28, 2022)

#### Federal Prison Oversight Act

This bill requires the Inspector General of the Department of Justice (DOJ) to conduct periodic inspections of correctional facilities operated by the Bureau of Prisons. The bill also requires DOJ to establish an ombudsman to receive complaints relating to issues affecting the health, safety, welfare, or rights of incarcerated people or staff.

### Actions Timeline

- Sep 28, 2022:** Introduced in Senate
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