

HR 9009

Federal Prison Oversight Act

Congress: 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Government Operations and Politics

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Current Status: Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Reform.

Latest Action: Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Reform. (Sep 28, 2022)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. McBath, Lucy [D-GA-6]

Party: Democratic • State: GA • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (2 total)

| Cosponsor                             | Party / State | Role | Date Joined  |
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| Rep. Armstrong, Kelly [R-ND-At Large] | R · ND        |      | Sep 28, 2022 |
| Rep. Bonamici, Suzanne [D-OR-1]       | D · OR        |      | Oct 25, 2022 |

Committee Activity

| Committee                                 | Chamber | Activity    | Date         |
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| Oversight and Government Reform Committee | House   | Referred To | Sep 28, 2022 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

Related Bills

| Bill       | Relationship   | Last Action  |
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| 117 S 4988 | Identical bill | Sep 28, 2022: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. |

## **Federal Prison Oversight Act**

This bill establishes an inspections regime for the Bureau of Prisons (BOP).

The Department of Justice (DOJ) Inspector General must conduct risk-based evaluations of BOP facilities.

An inspection of a facility may be announced or unannounced. Higher risk facilities must receive more frequent inspections.

The bill (1) provides for the establishment in DOJ of an Ombudsman who may receive complaints, make inquiries, and recommend actions, and decline to investigate or take action, as specified; and (2) prohibits retaliation against any person or entity that has instituted or caused to be instituted any proceeding, investigation, or inspection.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Sep 28, 2022:** Introduced in House
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