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Organized Retail Crime Center Authorization Act of 2023

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Grassley, Chuck [R-IA]

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

Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Cortez Masto, Catherine [D-NV]	D · NV		Jan 30, 2023
Sen. Kennedy, John [R-LA]	R · LA		Mar 16, 2023
Sen. Crapo, Mike [R-ID]	R · ID		Sep 12, 2023
Sen. Risch, James E. [R-ID]	R · ID		Sep 12, 2023

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jan 30, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 HR 895	Related bill	May 23, 2024: ASSUMING FIRST SPONSORSHIP - Mr. Joyce (OH) asked unanimous consent that he may hereafter be considered as the first sponsor of H.R. 895, a bill originally introduced by Representative Buck, for the purpose of adding cosponsors and requesting reprintings pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII. Agreed to without objection.
118 S 140	Related bill	Jan 30, 2023: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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This bill establishes a center—the Organized Retail Crime Coordination Center—within the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to coordinate the federal law enforcement activities related to organized retail crime. Organized retail crime typically refers to large-scale retail theft and fraud by organized groups of professional shoplifters, or boosters, who make money by stealing merchandise and reselling it for a fraction of the retail cost.

The bill also requires DHS and the Department of Justice to jointly issue formal guidance to relevant agencies and offices for modifying or expanding the prioritization of training and technical assistance designed to counter organized retail crime.

Actions Timeline

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