

S 5062

Prison Staff Safety Enhancement Act

Congress: 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

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Current Status: Held at the desk.

Latest Action: Held at the desk. (Dec 20, 2024)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Blackburn, Marsha [R-TN]

Party: Republican • State: TN • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Ossoff, Jon [D-GA]	D · GA		Sep 17, 2024
Sen. Cotton, Tom [R-AR]	R · AR		Sep 25, 2024
Sen. Kelly, Mark [D-AZ]	D · AZ		Sep 25, 2024
Sen. Ernst, Joni [R-IA]	R · IA		Dec 4, 2024
Sen. Britt, Katie Boyd [R-AL]	R · AL		Dec 11, 2024

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Discharged From	Dec 20, 2024

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 HR 10160	Identical bill	Nov 18, 2024: Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.

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This bill establishes requirements for the Department of Justice (DOJ) and component agencies to assess and respond to incidents of sexual harassment and sexual assault by incarcerated individuals against Bureau of Prisons (BOP) staff.

Specifically, the bill requires DOJ to adopt national standards for the prevention, reduction, and punishment of sexual harassment and sexual assault by incarcerated individuals against correctional officers or other employees of the BOP.

Additionally, the bill requires the BOP to fully implement the recommendations of the DOJ Inspector General contained in the report titled *Evaluation of the Federal Bureau of Prisons' Efforts to Address Sexual Harassment and Sexual Assault Committed by Inmates Toward Staff*.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 20, 2024:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Dec 20, 2024:** Received in the House.
- **Dec 20, 2024:** Held at the desk.
- **Dec 19, 2024:** Senate Committee on the Judiciary discharged by Unanimous Consent.
- **Dec 19, 2024:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S7222-7223; text of amendment in the nature of a substitute: CR S7222-7223)
- **Dec 19, 2024:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **Dec 19, 2024:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **Sep 17, 2024:** Introduced in Senate
- **Sep 17, 2024:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.