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H.R. 1427 – Federal Housing Finance Reform Act of 2007

H.R. 1585 – National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008

H.R. 1700 – COPS Improvements Act of 2007

H.R. 1427 – FEDERAL HOUSING FINANCE REFORM ACT OF 2007 *(Rep. Frank – Financial Services)*
(Subject to a Rule)

Bill Text: [HTML Version](#), [PDF Version](#)

[Bill Summary and Status](#)

Rules Committee Meeting: Tuesday, May 15, 2007 at 3:00pm in H-313, The Capitol
[Amendment Process](#)

Committee: [Committee on Financial Services](#)

Committee Staff Contact: 5-4247

LEGISLATION AT A GLANCE:

- **Federal Housing Finance Agency.** H.R. 1427 establishes the Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA or Agency) as an independent agency to oversee the safe and sound operations as well as the mission functions of the housing government sponsored enterprises (GSEs)--Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac, and the 12 Federal Home Loan Banks (collectively, the regulated entities). The Agency assumes the supervisory duties of the Office of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight (OFHEO), the Federal Housing Finance Board (Finance Board), and the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) (with respect to mission oversight of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac).
- **Director & Deputy Director.** The FHFA is headed by a Director appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate for a five-year term. The Director will appoint three deputy directors: a Deputy Director of the Division of Enterprise Regulation; a Deputy Director of Federal Home Loan Bank Regulation; and a Deputy Director for Housing. Among other things, this supervisory structure recognizes the unique nature of, and differences between, the Federal Home Loan Banks and the enterprises.
- **Federal Housing Enterprise Board.** An oversight board (called the Federal Housing Enterprise Board) is created to advise the Director with respect to overall strategies and policies in carrying out the duties of the Director. The Enterprise Board will consist of the Director of the Agency, the Secretaries of Treasury and HUD, and two additional appointed directors. Funding for the Agency is to be provided by an annual assessment by the Agency on the regulated entities for the FHFA's reasonable costs and expenses. Congressional appropriations approval is not required.

- Office of Minority & Women Inclusion. The bill requires each GSE to establish an office of minority and women inclusion to implement standards for inclusion of minorities and women in all business activities and contracts.
- Corrective Actions. The measure allows the FHFA to establish a capital classification system for the GSEs similar to those used by banking and credit union regulators. It also specifies the actions that the agency could take if the enterprises fall into one of the lower categories. Under the measure, there would be four categories — adequately capitalized, undercapitalized, significantly undercapitalized and critically undercapitalized. The agency would be permitted to take action to correct financial undercapitalized and significantly undercapitalized GSEs, and place a GSE in conservatorship or receivership if it became critically undercapitalized.
- Enforcement Powers. The legislation strengthens the existing enforcement powers of the current regulators. The Agency is vested with cease-and-desist powers, if the Director has reasonable cause to believe that the regulated entity or an affiliated party is engaged in an unsafe or unsound practice or other violation of law. The Agency is empowered to issue civil money penalties and has the authority to remove management.
- Federal Home Loan Bank Operations. H.R. 1427 improves the operations of the Federal Home Loan Bank System by permitting the formation of joint offices by two or more Banks, specifying that joint offices are subject to supervision and oversight to the same extent as are the Banks, requiring sharing of information among the Banks, and raising the total asset eligibility cap for community financial institution members that use advances for additional lending activities.
- Affordable Housing Goals. The measure requires the GSEs to meet goals established by the Federal Housing Finance Agency for single and multi-family home purchasers in low-income or very-low income areas (which would be redefined at 50% AMI). The goals would be based on Home Mortgage Disclosure Act data by using three-year averages to determine the market, and would be set annually, but could be set for a multi-year period. It requires the GSEs to serve underserved markets, such as manufactured housing, affordable housing preservation, and rural areas.
- Affordable Housing Fund. The bill creates an affordable housing fund to be managed by the FHFA, from 2007 through 2011, by requiring Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac to contribute 1.2% of their total outstanding mortgages. Of that contribution, 75% of the funds would be used for the affordable housing fund, and 25% would be allocated to the federal government to keep the bill deficit neutral. In the first year of the funds operation, 75% of the funds would go to Louisiana and 25% would go to Mississippi.

Committee Information:

[Committee Summary of H.R. 1427 \(as first introduced\)](#)

House Report 110-142:

[HTML Version](#), [PDF Version](#)

Full Committee Mark-up:

[H.R. 1515, to amend the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974; H.R. 1427, Federal Housing Finance Reform Act of 2007; H.R. 1675, Preservation Approval Process Improvement Act of 2007; H.R. 1676, Native American Home Ownership Opportunity Act of 2007](#), March 28, 2007

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Summary of Roll Call Votes:

- [Amendment by Mr. Bachus](#), no. 2 – Amendment that would strike section 128 of the bill, which would direct a percentage of Fannie Mae's and Freddie Mac's investment portfolios to an affordable housing fund. **Rejected 15-31: R 15-4; D 0-27.** ([FC-27](#))
- [Amendment by Mr. Bachus](#), no. 4– Amendment that would transfer the affordable housing fund to affordable housing programs run by the 12 Federal Home Loan Banks (FHLBs). **Rejected 16-36: R 16-8; D 0-28.** ([FC-28](#))
- [Amendment by Mrs. Biggert](#), no. 8– Amendment that would transfer administration of the affordable housing fund and administration of grants under the fund from the states, as provided in the bill, to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). **Rejected 20-35: R 20-6; D 0-29.** ([FC-29](#))
- [Amendment by Mr. Hensarling](#), no. 11– Amendment that would eliminate a provision of the bill that would increase the government-sponsored enterprises' loan limits in high cost areas up to the local median price. **Rejected 10-51: R 10-18; D 0-33.** ([FC-30](#))
- [Amendment by Ms. Waters](#), no. 12 – Amendment that would require government-sponsored enterprises to establish offices of minority and women inclusion or to designate an office responsible for such matters. It also would require each enterprise to develop procedures to ensure the inclusion of minorities and women and minority- and women-owned businesses in all business activities. **Adopted 34-27: R 1-27; D 33-0.** ([FC-31](#))
- [Amendment by Mr. Frank](#), no. 14– Amendment that would authorize affordable housing funds created under the bill to be transferred later to an Affordable Housing Trust Fund that may be enacted into law in the future. **Adopted 35-26: R 1-26; D 34-0.** ([FC-32](#))
- [Amendment by Mr. McHenry](#), no. 17– Amendment that would make Habitat for Humanity the only entity eligible for grants under the affordable housing fund. **Rejected 13-50: R 13-16; D 0-34.** ([FC-33](#))
- [Amendment by Mr. Garrett](#), no. 22– Amendment that would limit the enterprises' portfolios to mortgages and mortgage-backed securities that exclusively support affordable housing, especially mortgages for households with incomes below the median income for the area in which the property is located. **Rejected 15-48: R 15-15; D 0-33.** ([FC-34](#))
- [Amendment by Mr. Neugebauer](#), no. 25– Amendment that would cap the affordable housing fund at the lesser of 1.2 basis points of the average total mortgage portfolio for the prior year or \$520 million or a lesser amount determined by the director (of the to-be-established regulator) if the director determines that a higher amount poses a safety and soundness concern. **Rejected 30-35: R 30-2; D 0-33.** ([FC-35](#))
- [Amendment by Mr. Price](#), no. 27– Amendment that would require a minimum of 50 percent of a regulated entity's portfolio holdings to support affordable housing. **Rejected 15-50: R 15-17; D 0-33.** ([FC-36](#))
- **Vote to Report:** Favorably reported to the House of Representatives, as amended, by **Recorded Vote of 45-19: R 13-19; D 32-0.** ([FC-37](#))
- [Full List of Amendments](#)

CRS Reports:

[RL33940](#): H.R. 1427 and S. 1100: Reforming the Regulation of Government-Sponsored Enterprises

[RL33879](#): Housing Issues in the 110th Congress

CBO Report:

[CBO Cost Estimate](#): Ordered Reported by the House Committee on Financial Services

GAO Reports:

(TBA)

Full Committee Hearing:

[Legislative Proposals on GSE Reform](#) March 15, 2007

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Available Member Statements: [Congresswoman Capito](#), [Congresswoman Pryce](#), [Congressman Gillmor](#), [Congresswoman Waters](#)

Witness Testimony:

- **Panel One:** [The Honorable Robert Steel](#), Under Secretary for Domestic Finance, U.S. Department of the Treasury • [The Honorable James B. Lockhart III](#), Director, Office of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight; [L. Carter Cornick](#), General Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of Congressional & Intergovernmental Relations, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
- **Panel Two:** [The Honorable John Dalton](#), President, Housing Policy Council, Financial Services Roundtable • [Mr. Richard F. Syron](#), Chairman and- Chief Executive Officer, Freddie Mac • [Mr. Daniel H. Mudd](#), President and Chief Executive Officer, Fannie Mae • [Mr. Gerald M. Howard](#), Executive Vice President and Chief Executive Officer, National Association of Home Builders
- **Panel Three:** [Ms. Judith A. Kennedy](#), President and Chief Executive Officer, National Association of Affordable Housing Lenders • [Mr. Allen J. Fishbein](#), Director of Housing and Credit Policy, Consumer Federation of America • [Ms. Sheila Crowley](#), President, National Low Income Housing Coalition • [Mr. Thomas Gleason](#), Board Member, National Council of State Housing Agencies • [Mr. Michael Flynn](#), Director of Government Affairs, Reason Foundation
- **Documents Submitted for the Record:** [Consumer Mortgage Coalition](#)

Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance and Government Sponsored Enterprises Hearing:

[Legislative Proposals on GSE Reform](#), March 12, 2007

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Available Member Statements: [Chairman Kanjorski](#), [Congressman Bachus](#)

Witness Testimony:

- [Mr. John R. Price](#), President and Chief Executive Officer, Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh;
- [Mr. Thomas M. Stevens](#), Immediate Past President, National Association of Realtors;
- [Mr. John M. Robbins](#), CMB, Chairman, Mortgage Bankers Association;
- [Mr. Arthur R. Connelly](#), Chairman, South Shore Savings Bank;
- [Mr. R. Michael Stewart Menzies](#), Sr., President/Chief Executive Officer, Easton Bank and Trust Company;
- [Ms. Karen Shaw Petrou](#), Managing Partner, Federal Financial Analytics, Inc;
- [Mr. Scott Stern](#), Chief Executive Officer, Lenders One, Chairman, National Alliance of Independent Mortgage Bankers

Organization Statements:

[National Federation of Federal Credit Unions](#) letter for the Record;
[American Bankers Association](#) letter for the Record;
[Asian Real Estate Association of America](#) letter for the Record;
[National League of Cities](#) letter for the Record

Administration Position:

(TBA)

Fact Sheets & Talking Points:

(TBA)

Press Releases & News Articles:

[Financial Services Committee Passes GSE Reform Bill](#), March 29, 2007
[Bipartisan GSE Reform and Oversight Legislation Introduced](#), March 9, 2007
[Rep. Maloney's "Kiddie Mac" Legislation Headed for Vote on House Floor](#), April 3, 2007
[House Financial Services Committee Passes Lynch Amendment to Benefit Massachusetts Residents](#), March 30, 2007

Other Resources:

[Cosponsors of H.R. 1427](#)

Legislative History:

HR 1461, a similar measure, was introduced in the 109th Congress and passed the House by a vote of 331-90. The Senate never considered the measure on the Floor.

H.R. 1585 - NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008 (*Rep. Skelton – Armed Services*) (*Subject to a Rule*)

Bill Text: [HTML Version](#), [PDF Version](#)

[Bill Summary and Status](#)

Rules Committee Meeting: Tuesday, May 15, 2007 at 3:00pm in H-313, The Capitol,
[Amendment Process](#)

Committee: [Committee on Armed Services](#)

Committee Staff Contact: Small Business: 5-4151

LEGISLATION AT A GLANCE:

- **Funding.** HR 1585 authorizes \$503.8 billion in budget authority for the Department of Defense (DoD) and the national security programs of the Department of Energy (DoE). The bill also authorizes \$141.8 billion to support ongoing military operations in Iraq and Afghanistan during fiscal year 2008.
- **Restoring Readiness.** The U.S. military is without a doubt the premier fighting force in the world, and the Committee is dedicated to providing the necessary resources and authorities to quickly and efficiently reverse declining trends in training and equipment readiness.
 - **\$1 billion for the Strategic Readiness Fund** to fix equipment shortfalls
 - **\$1 billion to provide the National Guard and Reserve equipment** from their unfunded requirements list
 - \$2.3 billion for military construction projects related to expanding the size of the Army and Marine Corps.
 - \$4.5 billion for the Joint IED Defeat Organization (JIEDDO)
 - \$13.6 billion to fully address equipment shortages
 - End strength increase of **36,000 and 9,000 members of the Army and Marines respectively**

- \$250 million to **improve training** Department-wide
 - Establishment of a **Defense Readiness Production Board** to mobilize the defense industrial base to speed up the production of military equipment
 - Requires rating and reporting of National Guard readiness for homeland defense missions
 - Requires a plan on reconstitution of pre-positioned equipment stocks
- Meeting the Force Protection Needs of Our Troops. Our service members are courageously doing their duty overseas in multiple wars, and it is Congress' responsibility to provide them with the best gear and force protection possible. When a need is identified, the Committee has worked to fill it as quickly and efficiently as possible. The following initiatives will serve to provide the equipment and resources our brave men and women in uniform need to truly perform their missions as safely as possible.
 - Additional \$4.1 billion for **Mine Resistant Ambush Protected (MRAP) Vehicles**
 - \$1.2 billion for **body armor**
 - \$2.5 billion for **up-armored humvees**
 - \$1.2 billion for **vehicle add-on armor**
 - \$509.7 million for the Armored Security Vehicle (ASV)
 - Comprehensive testing of all **helmet pad systems**
- Taking Care of Service Members and Their Families. Our service members are our most valuable national security asset. They and their families sacrifice every day to defend our way of life and protect our nation from harm. With the military engaged in multiple fronts around the world, the past few years have been particularly trying, and the Committee has worked to find ways to ease the burden on our troops and their dedicated families. As a result the Committee:
 - Authorizes a **3.5% across-the-board pay raise** for all service members.
 - Prohibits increases in both TRICARE and pharmacy user fees
 - **Increases the Size of the Force** -the size of the Army is increased by 36,000 soldiers, the Marine Corps is increased by 9,000 and the Army National Guard is increased by 1,300 individuals.
 - Adopts provisions from the House-passed **Wounded Warrior Assistance Act**
 - Restores approximately **490 medical personnel positions.**
 - Recommends **the establishment of a Military Mental Health Initiative** that would coordinate all mental health research and development for the Department.
 - Directs the establishment of a **Traumatic Brain Injury Initiative** to provide the opportunity for emerging technologies and treatments to compete for funding
 - Recommends an additional \$50 million for the Defense Health Program sustainment account to fully fund this critical area, particularly at **Walter Reed Army Medical Center.**
- Review of Roles and Missions. The Committee believes that a thorough review of roles and missions is overdue and proposes a major internal review by the Department of Defense. To assist this effort, the Committee authorizes the following series of legislative provisions aimed at forcing clarity and greater understanding of each service's role in the defense of our nation:
 - Requires a review of the roles and missions of the Department of Defense every four years and that the missions of the Department be **organized into core mission areas** such as ground, air, maritime and space environments, expeditionary warfare, mobility, homeland defense, and cyber operations. The purpose of this review is to avoid duplication of efforts and redundancies.

- **Identifies the core competencies** of the military departments, the Office of the Secretary of Defense, each defense agency, and each defense field activity. Each core competency is **required to be clearly associated with a core mission area** of the DoD.
- Directs a review of the capabilities that each of the military departments, the Office of the Secretary of Defense, each defense agency, and each defense field activity is maintaining or developing. The review would **determine whether these capabilities are outside the core competencies** for each entity or outside of the core mission areas of the DoD. Duplicated capabilities would have to be justified.
- **Requires the Joint Requirements Oversight Council (JROC) to organize its review of requirements according to the core mission areas** provide the military services with clear guidance on the priority assigned to each requirement and make clear the

Committee Documents:

[Highlights from the Bill](#)

House Reports 110-146:

[HTML Version](#), [PDF Version](#)

Full Committee Mark-up:

[The full committee will mark up the following legislation: H.R. 1585](#) – To authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2008 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2008, and for other purposes, May 9, 2007

[National Journal Report](#)

[Chairman Skelton's Statement on the Full Committee Mark](#)

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Opening Statements:

[Chairman Skelton](#)

[Subcommittee Chairman Taylor](#)

[Subcommittee Chairman Smith](#)

[Subcommittee Chairman Abercrombie](#)

[Subcommittee Chairman Snyder](#)

[Subcommittee Chairman Ortiz](#)

[Subcommittee Chairman Tauscher](#)

- **Vote to Report:** Ordered Bill Reported Favorably to House, as Amended, by a **Recorded Vote of 58-0.**

Subcommittee Mark-ups:

[The Readiness Subcommittee will mark up the following legislation: H.R. 1585](#) – To authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2008 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2008, and for other purposes, May 8, 2007

[National Journal Report](#)

[Subcommittee Chairman Ortiz' Opening Statement](#)

[Audio Transcript](#)

- **Vote to Report:** Ordered Bill Reported Favorably to Full Committee by **Voice Vote.**

[The Seapower and Expeditionary Forces Subcommittee will mark up the following legislation:](#)

[H.R. 1585](#) – To authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2008 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2008, and for other purposes, May 3, 2007

[National Journal Report](#)

[Subcommittee Chairman Taylor's Opening Statement](#)
[Audio Transcript](#)

- **Vote to Report:** Ordered Bill Reported Favorably to Full Committee by **Voice Vote**.

[The Terrorism, Unconventional Threats and Capabilities Subcommittee will mark up the following legislation: H.R. 1585](#) – To authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2008 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2008, and for other purposes, May 3, 2007

[National Journal Report](#)
[Subcommittee Chairman Smith's Opening Statement](#)
[Audio Transcript](#)

- **Vote to Report:** Ordered Bill Reported Favorably to Full Committee by **Voice Vote**.

[The Strategic Forces Subcommittee will mark up the following legislation: H.R. 1585](#) – To authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2008 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2008, and for other purposes, May 2, 2007

[National Journal Report](#)
[Subcommittee Chairman Tauscher's Opening Statement](#)
[Audio Transcript](#)

- **Vote to Report:** Ordered Bill Reported Favorably to Full Committee by **Voice Vote**.

[The Military Personnel Subcommittee will mark up the following legislation: H.R. 1585](#) – To authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2008 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2008, and for other purposes, May 2, 2007

[National Journal Report](#)
[Subcommittee Chairman Snyder's Opening Statement](#)
[Audio Transcript](#)

- **Vote to Report:** Ordered Bill Reported Favorably to Full Committee by **Voice Vote**.

[The Air and Land Forces Subcommittee will mark up the following legislation: H.R. 1585](#) – To authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2008 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2008, and for other purposes, May 2, 2007

[National Journal Report](#)
[Subcommittee Chairman Abercrombie's Opening Statement](#)
[Audio Transcript Part 2](#)

- **Vote to Report:** Ordered Bill Reported Favorably to Full Committee by **Voice Vote**.

CBO Report:

(TBA)

CRS Report:

[RL33999](#): Defense: FY2008 Authorization and Appropriations

[RL32929](#): The Reliable Replacement Warhead Program: Background and Current Developments

GAO Reports:

(TBA)

Committee Hearings:

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Organization Statements:

(TBA)

Statement of Administration Policy:

(TBA)

Fact Sheets & Talking Points:

(TBA)

Press Releases & News Articles:

[House Armed Services Committee Approves Fiscal Year 2008 Defense Authorization Bill Restoring Military Readiness and Taking Care of the Troops are Top Priorities](#), May 9, 2007
[HASC PASSES FY08 NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT](#), May 9, 2007

Other Resources:

[Cosponsors of HR 1585](#)

Legislative History:

No Relevant Legislative History.

BILL UNDER SUSPENSION

H.R. 1700 - COPS IMPROVEMENTS ACT OF 2007 *(Rep. Weiner – Judiciary)*

Bill Text: [HTML Version](#), [PDF Version](#)

[Bill Summary and Status](#)

Committee: [Committee on the Judiciary](#)

Committee Staff Contact: 5-3951

LEGISLATION AT A GLANCE:

- **Bipartisan.** This bipartisan bill was reported out of the Committee by a unanimous vote.
- **Funding.** This bill authorizes a total of \$6.9 billion over the next six years for the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) program, which is run by the Justice Department. It also adds a number of new policing activities for which the COPS program could award grants. The measure authorizes \$1.15 billion in each of fiscal years 2008 through 2013 for the COPS program — an increase of \$103 million (10%) from current law, which authorizes \$1.05 billion in each of fiscal years 2006 through 2009. Of that amount, the bill requires that at least \$600 million each year go to efforts to hire officers. It allows up to \$350 million each year to be spent for grants to improve law-enforcement technology, and up to \$200 million each year to be spent to assist district attorneys in hiring prosecutors.
- **Grant Activities.** The bill authorizes a number of new policing activities for which the COPS program could award grants. The measure allows the COPS program to award grants for initiatives designed to reduce the distribution and abuse of illegal drugs, for the creation of local task forces to combat criminal gang activity, and for community policing efforts to address "emerging law enforcement needs." In addition, it allows grants for community prosecuting programs, including programs that assign prosecutors to try cases in specific geographic areas, and prosecuting programs that address counter-terrorism problems, specific violent crime problems, or local crime problems. The bill authorizes grants to assist state and local law enforcement agencies in implementing new technology to emphasize crime prevention, rather than "reacting to crime."
- **Non-Federal Cost of Programs.** HR 1700 permits states or localities receiving COPS grants to spend less than 25% of the total cost of policing activities in any single year during the grant period, as long as the average state or local share of the cost is not less than 25% over the entire grant period. The Justice Department could waive the cost-sharing requirements, as under current law, and these requirements would not apply to anti-terrorism activities.

- Grant Renewals. The Bill removes time limits in current law on the duration of grant renewals under the COPS program, thus allowing the COPS program to renew grants for time periods it determines are appropriate.
- Report. HR 1700 requires the Justice Department inspector general to report to Congress, within 180 days of enactment, on the effect of the COPS program on violent crime, the rate of state and local funds contributed to COPS grant activities, and any waste, fraud, or abuse in the program.

Committee Documents:

(TBA)

House Report 110-122:

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Committee Mark-up:

[Markup of: H.R. 1700, the "COPS Improvement Act of 2007;" H.R. 916, the "John R. Justice Prosecutors and Defenders Incentive Act of 2007;" H.R. 1525, the "Internet Spyware \(I-SPY\) Prevention Act of 2007;" and H.R. 1615, the "Securing Aircraft Cockpits Against Lasers Act"](#), May 2, 2007

[National Journal Report](#)

- **Vote to Report:** Ordered Bill Reported Favorably, as amended, to House, by **Voice Vote**.

Subcommittee Mark-up:

[Markup of: H.R. 1700, the "COPS Improvement Act of 2007" H.R. 916, the "John R. Justice Prosecutors and Defenders Incentive Act of 2007"](#), April 26, 2007

- **Vote to Report:** Ordered Bill Reported Favorably, to Full Committee House, by a **Voice Vote**.

CBO Report:

[CBO Cost Estimate](#): Ordered Reported by the House Committee on the Judiciary

CRS Reports:

[RL33308](#): Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS): Background, Legislation, and Issues

GAO Reports:

(TBA)

Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security Hearing:

[Legislative Hearing on H.R. 1700, the "COPS Improvement Act of 2007" H.R. 916, the "John R. Justice Prosecutors and Defenders Incentive Act of 2007" H.R. 933, the "Witness Security and Protection Act of 2007"](#), April 24, 2007

Organization Statements:

(TBA)

Administration Position:

(TBA)

Fact Sheets & Talking Points:

(TBA)

Press Releases & News Articles:

[House Judiciary Committee Sends Four Crime Bills to the House Floor](#), May 2, 2007

[House Judiciary Committee Passes Federal Hate Crimes Bill](#), April 25, 2007

Other Resources:
[Cosponsors of HR 1700](#)

Legislative History:
Related Bill S.368.