

111TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# S. 60

To prohibit the sale and counterfeiting of Presidential inaugural tickets.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 6, 2009

Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. SCHUMER, Ms. SNOWE, and Mrs. BOXER)  
introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the  
Committee on Rules and Administration

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## A BILL

To prohibit the sale and counterfeiting of Presidential  
inaugural tickets.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. PROHIBITION ON SALE AND COUNTERFEITING**

4 **OF INAUGURAL TICKETS.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 25 of title 18, United  
6 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
7 lowing:

1 **“§ 515. Prohibition on sale and counterfeiting of inau-**  
2 **gural tickets**

3 “(a) IN GENERAL.—It shall be unlawful for any per-  
4 son to—

5 “(1) except as provided in subsection (b), know-  
6 ingly and willfully sell for money or property, or fa-  
7 cilitate the sale for money or property of, a ticket to  
8 a Presidential inaugural ceremony;

9 “(2) with the intent to defraud, falsely make,  
10 forge, counterfeit, or falsely alter a ticket to a Presi-  
11 dential inaugural ceremony; or

12 “(3) with the intent to defraud, use, unlawfully  
13 possess, or exhibit a ticket to a Presidential inau-  
14 gural ceremony, knowing the ticket to be falsely  
15 made, forged, counterfeited, or falsely altered.

16 “(b) EXCEPTION.—This section shall not apply to the  
17 sale for money or property, facilitation of such a sale, or  
18 attempt of such a sale, of a ticket to a Presidential inau-  
19 gural ceremony—

20 “(1) that occurs after the date on which the  
21 Presidential inaugural ceremony for which the ticket  
22 was issued occurs; or

23 “(2) by an official presidential inaugural com-  
24 mittee established on behalf of a President-elect of  
25 the United States.

1       “(c) PENALTY.—Whoever violates subsection (a)  
2 shall be fined under this title, imprisoned not more than  
3 1 year, or both.

4       “(d) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term ‘Presi-  
5 dential inaugural ceremony’ means a public inaugural  
6 ceremony at which the President-elect or the Vice Presi-  
7 dent-elect take the oath or affirmation of office for the  
8 office of President of the United States or the office of  
9 Vice President of the United States, respectively.”.

10       (b) AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER ANALYSIS.—The  
11 chapter analysis for chapter 25 of title 18, United States  
12 Code, is amended by inserting at the end the following:

“515. Prohibition on sale and counterfeiting of inaugural tickets.”.

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