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1. Click **Legislative Impact** in the left navigation bar.
2. Enter **key words from the law's short title**, e.g., ENTER: *patriot*

You can also find an impact document by entering the U.S. Public Law cite, a bill number or a USC title and/or section number. (Even view amendments to the U.S. Constitution, U.S. Court Rules, House and Senate Rules, D.C. Code or Harmonized Tariff Schedule.) Just select the radio button next to your choice, e.g., Public Law.

3. **Select the law** from your results list, e.g., click USA PATRIOT ACT (PL 107-56).
4. **The impact document displays.** Browse or select one of three links:

AMENDMENTS TO BILLS FROM THE 110TH CONGRESS

- A *summary of amendments by bill number source is the default display.* (You can also re-sort amendments by Public Law section or by proposed amendment instruction, e.g., insert, strike, re-designate, etc. To re-sort, use the drop-down Group By box.)
- Click on a bill number to display a table of proposed amendments—including the exact public law sections affected and amending bill sections. For example, to see how §224(1)(C) of H.R. 1692-1H will affect §816(a) of the USA PATRIOT Act, click the HR 1692-1H link. Then link to §224(1)(C).

SUBSEQUENT AMENDMENTS TO THIS LAW SINCE ENACTMENT

- A *summary of amendments by affecting U.S. Public Law is the default display.* Click on a public law number to see a table of affecting provisions. (You can also re-sort amendments by instruction or by your public law's sections.)

AMENDMENTS THIS LAW MADE TO EXISTING FEDERAL LEGISLATION

- A *summary of affected statutes is the default display.* Click on a statute link, e.g., [Fair Credit Reporting Act](#), to see more amendment details.

AMENDMENTS IN BILLS FROM THE 110TH CONGRESS:

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[H.R. 1692-1H](#) (4 amendments)
To fight criminal gangs.

Provisions Affected					Amendatory Provisions			
Section	Provision	Cross Reference	Instruction	Location	Matter	Source	Section	Short Title
816(a)(4)	USA PATRIOT Act	28 U.S.C. 502 note	Strike		text	H.R. 1692-1H	224(1)(A)	To fight criminal gangs.
815(a)(8)	USA PATRIOT Act	28 U.S.C. 502 note	Redesignate		(6)	H.R. 1692-1H	224(1)(B)	To fight criminal gangs.
816(a)	USA PATRIOT Act	28 U.S.C. 502 note	Insert	after paragraph (4)	paragraph (5)	H.R. 1692-1H	224(1)(C)	To fight criminal gangs.
815(b)(1)	USA PATRIOT Act	28 U.S.C. 502 note	Amend to read		paragraph (1)	H.R. 1692-1H	224(2)	To fight criminal gangs.

[S. 502-1S](#) (3 amendments)
To improve the allocation of grants through the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes.

[S. 990-1S](#) (4 amendments)
To fight criminal gangs.

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- To see activity by a *specific agency*, e.g., the 2007 activity of the EPA:
 1. Select **2007** under *Browse by Agency*. Click on **E**. Choose **Environmental Protection Agency**.
 2. Note that EPA **Notices**, **Proposed Rules** or **Rules** are totaled for you. Click on any category to view a table; click Environmental Protection Agency to see every action.
 3. Actions are presented by date. Click a date to expand the table. (Or re-sort by type. Select **Type** in the **Group by** drop-down box. Click **Go**. Select an action to expand the table.)
- To see activity by a *specific date*, e.g., March 30, 2007:
 1. Click 2007 under *Browse by Date*.
 2. Select a month, e.g., March.
 3. Click March 30, 2007. Get a complete list of U.S. agencies and their actions for that date. Click a specific agency, e.g. Federal Trade Commission, to view a table of action details.
- To see changes to a *specific CFR section*, e.g., 17 CFR 249:
 1. Click 2007 under Browse by CFR Title.
 2. Select Title 17—Commodity and Securities Exchanges.
 3. Then select Part 249.

