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**'Insulated' Justice Dept.  
Is Proposed by Ervin**

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Contending that the administration of justice must be "insulated" from White House pressure, Chairman Sam J. Ervin Jr. (D-N.C.) of the Senate Watergate committee introduced legislation yesterday to create an independent Department of Justice.

Ervin's bill would stipulate that the Attorney General, though still appointed by the President, could no longer be a member of the President's Cabinet.

All assistant attorneys general, U.S. attorneys and the director of the Bureau of Investigation would be appointed by the Attorney General rather than by the President.

Ervin said his subcommittee on separation of powers will hold hearings on the proposal next year.