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SRES 227

A resolution to clarify the rules regarding the acceptance of pro bono legal services by Senators.

Congress: 107 (2001–2003, Ended)

Chamber: Senate
Policy Area: Congress
Introduced: Mar 19, 2002

Current Status: Resolution agreed to in Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S2161;

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Latest Action: Resolution agreed to in Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S2161;

text as passed Senate: CR S2161) (Mar 20, 2002)

Official Text: https://www.congress.gov/bill/107th-congress/senate-resolution/227

Sponsor

Name: Sen. McConnell, Mitch [R-KY]

Party: Republican • State: KY • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Feingold, Russell D. [D-WI]	D · WI		Mar 19, 2002
Sen. McCain, John [R-AZ]	$R \cdot AZ$		Mar 19, 2002

Committee Activity

No committee referrals or activity are recorded for this bill.

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Congress

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Mar 20, 2002)

Declares that pro bono legal services provided to a Member of the Senate with respect to any civil action challenging the constitutionality of a Federal statute that expressly authorizes a Member either to file an action or to intervene in an action shall not: (1) be deemed a gift to the Member nor a contribution to the Member's office account; or (2) require the establishment of a legal expense trust fund. Subjects such services, however, to the Select Committee on Ethics Regulations Regarding Disclosure of Pro Bono Legal Services, adopted February 13, 1997, or any revision thereto. States that this resolution shall supersede Senate Resolution 321 (certain pro bono legal services provided to a Member of the Senate) adopted by the Senate on October 3, 1996.

Actions Timeline

- Mar 20, 2002: Passed/agreed to in Senate: Resolution agreed to in Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S2161; text as passed Senate: CR S2161)
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- Mar 19, 2002: Introduced in Senate
- Mar 19, 2002: Submitted in the Senate and ordered held at desk. (text of measure as introduced: CR S2090)