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Cultural Bridges Act of 2002

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: International Affairs

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Kennedy, Edward M. [D-MA]

Party: Democratic • **State:** MA • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (14 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Brownback, Sam [R-KS]	R · KS		May 10, 2002
Sen. Chafee, Lincoln [R-RI]	R · RI		May 10, 2002
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Sen. Jeffords, James M. [I-VT]	I · VT		May 10, 2002
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Sen. Lugar, Richard G. [R-IN]	R · IN		May 10, 2002
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Sen. Landrieu, Mary L. [D-LA]	D · LA		May 21, 2002
Sen. Bayh, Evan [D-IN]	D · IN		Jul 29, 2002
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Relations Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 10, 2002

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of May 10, 2002)

Cultural Bridges Act of 2002 - Authorizes the President to establish an international exchange visitor program under which eligible students from the Islamic world would: (1) attend public secondary school in the United States; (2) live with an American host family; and (3) participate in activities designed to promote a greater understanding of American and Islamic values and cultures. Requires the Secretary of State (Secretary) to carry out this program with U.S. sponsoring organizations.

Authorizes the Secretary to use the authorities of the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961 to establish new programs and expand existing programs to increase the number of educational and cultural activities involving persons from the Islamic world. Prohibits the participation of individuals who are nationals of Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgystan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan.

Actions Timeline

- **May 10, 2002:** Introduced in Senate
- **May 10, 2002:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S4200-4201)
- **May 10, 2002:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (text of measure as introduced: CR S4201-4202)