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# S 368

American Voting Standards and Technology Act

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Science, Technology, Communications

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### **Sponsor**

Name: Sen. McCain, John [R-AZ]

Party: Republican • State: AZ • Chamber: Senate

### **Cosponsors** (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	<b>Date Joined</b>
Sen. Hollings, Ernest F. [D-SC]	$D \cdot SC$		Feb 15, 2001
Sen. Cleland, Max [D-GA]	D · GA		Mar 12, 2001

# **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Hearings By (full committee)	May 8, 2001

# **Subjects & Policy Tags**

# **Policy Area:**

Science, Technology, Communications

#### **Related Bills**

No related bills are listed.

#### **Summary** (as of Feb 15, 2001)

American Voting Standards and Technology Act - Amends the National Institute of Standards and Technology Act to direct the Secretary of Commerce to: (1) develop standard practices, codes, specifications, and voluntary consensus standards needed to assure the accuracy, integrity, and security of voting systems used in the United States; and (2) establish a program to accredit laboratories to test vote casting and counting devices for conformance with standard practices, codes, specifications, and voluntary consensus standards.

Authorizes the Secretary to make grants to the State agency responsible for administering elections in a State for the purpose of: (1) purchasing new or rehabilitated voting equipment that improves the ability of the public to cast a timely and accurate vote; and (2) implementing voter education campaigns.

Directs the Director of the National Institute of Standards and Technology to establish the Center of Excellence for Electronic Commerce to: (1) act as an information resource for Federal agencies in matters related to the development and deployment of electronic commerce technologies and interoperability specifications; (2) provide technical guidance and information to the Office of Management and Budget about the development and deployment of electronic commerce technologies and interoperability specifications; and (3) encourage the use of electronic commerce technologies within Federal agencies and small- and medium-sized businesses.

Requires the Director: (1) to establish an initiative for advancing enterprise integration within the United States; and (2) for each major manufacturing industry, to work with industry representatives and organizations currently engaged in enterprise integration activities to identify all enterprise integration standards and implementation activities underway in the United States and abroad.

Directs the Director to submit to Congress a plan for enterprise integration for each major manufacturing industry.

#### **Actions Timeline**

- May 8, 2001: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 107-1041.
- Feb 15, 2001: Introduced in Senate
- Feb 15, 2001: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S1507-1508)
- Feb 15, 2001: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.