

S 1563

National Minority Media Opportunities Act

Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Science, Technology, Communications

Introduced: Aug 1, 2003

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. (Aug 1, 2003)

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Sponsor

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

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

Cosponsors (2 total)

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| Sen. Clinton, Hillary Rodham [D-NY] | D · NY | | Aug 1, 2003 |
| Sen. Pryor, Mark L. [D-AR] | D · AR | | Aug 1, 2003 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee | Senate | Referred To | Aug 1, 2003 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Science, Technology, Communications

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 108 HR 3027 | Identical bill | Sep 23, 2003: Referred to the Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet. |

Summary (as of Aug 1, 2003)

National Minority Media Opportunities Act - Amends the Telecommunications Authorization Act of 1992 to require Federal Communications Commission (FCC) review of the assignment or transfer of a broadcast license used primarily to serve a language minority (persons of American Indian, Asian American, Alaskan Native, or Spanish heritage).

Amends the Telecommunications Act of 1996 to require the FCC, after notice and comment, to report to Congress regarding the ownership and control of broadcast stations (including AM, FM, and television) used to serve language minorities.

Actions Timeline

- **Aug 1, 2003:** Introduced in Senate
- **Aug 1, 2003:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S10914)
- **Aug 1, 2003:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

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