

SJRES 17

A joint resolution disapproving the rule submitted by the Federal Communications Commission with respect to broadcast media ownership.

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Science, Technology, Communications

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Sen. Jeffords, James M. [I-VT]	I · VT		Sep 8, 2003
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Sen. Corzine, Jon S. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Sep 16, 2003

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Discharged From	Sep 3, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Science, Technology, Communications

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 HJRES 72	Identical bill	Oct 27, 2003: Referred to the Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet.

RETURNED FOR REVISIONS

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary has been expanded because action occurred on the measure.)

Disapproves the broadcast media ownership rule submitted by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and received by Congress on July 10, 2003. (That rule replaces the prohibition on common ownership of daily newspapers and broadcast outlets in the same market and the restrictions on common ownership of radio and television outlets in the same market with Cross Media Limits; revises the market definition and the way stations are counted for purposes of the local radio rule; revises the local television multiple ownership rule; modifies the national television ownership cap from a 35% national audience reach limit to a 45% reach limit, and retains the dual network rule.)

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 16, 2003:** Considered by Senate. (consideration: CR S11501-11519)
- **Sep 16, 2003:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Yea-Nay Vote. 55 - 40. Record Vote Number: 348.(text: CR S11519)
- **Sep 16, 2003:** Passed Senate without amendment by Yea-Nay Vote. 55 - 40. Record Vote Number: 348. (text: CR S11519)
- **Sep 16, 2003:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Sep 16, 2003:** Received in the House.
- **Sep 16, 2003:** Held at the desk.
- **Sep 11, 2003:** Measure laid before Senate. (consideration: CR S11383-11402)
- **Sep 3, 2003:** Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation discharged. Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 802(c).
- **Sep 3, 2003:** Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation discharged. Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 802(c).
- **Sep 3, 2003:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 269.
- **Jul 15, 2003:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jul 15, 2003:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.