

SJRES 23

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States providing for the event that one-fourth of the members of either the House of Representatives or the Senate are killed or incapacitated.

Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Congress

Introduced: Nov 5, 2003

Current Status: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S8770)

Latest Action: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S8770) (Jul 22, 2004)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Cornyn, John [R-TX]

Party: Republican • **State:** TX • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Chambliss, Saxby [R-GA]	R · GA		Apr 26, 2004

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Reported by	May 13, 2004

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Congress

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Nov 5, 2003)

Constitutional Amendment - Declares that Congress may by law provide for the case of death or inability of Members of the House of Representatives, and the case of inability of Members of the Senate, in the event that one-fourth of either House is killed or incapacitated, declaring who shall serve until the disability is removed or a new Member is elected. Terminates such procedures within 120 days after the death or inability of one-fourth of the House or Senate. Allows extensions of additional 120-day periods if one-fourth of either the House or Senate remains vacant or occupied by members unable to serve.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 22, 2004:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S8770)
- **May 13, 2004:** Committee on the Judiciary Subcommittee on Constitution, Civil Rights and Property Rights. Approved for full committee consideration with an amendment favorably.
- **May 10, 2004:** Committee on the Judiciary referred to Subcommittee on Constitution, Civil Rights and Property Rights.
- **Nov 5, 2003:** Introduced in Senate
- **Nov 5, 2003:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR S14051)