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S 1184

A bill to waive the passport fees for a relative of a deceased member of the Armed Forces proceeding abroad to visit the grave of such member or to attend a funeral or memorial service for such member.

Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: International Affairs

Introduced: Jun 7, 2005

Current Status: Became Public Law No: 109-210.

Latest Action: Became Public Law No: 109-210. (Mar 24, 2006)

Law: 109-210 (Enacted Mar 24, 2006)

Official Text: https://www.congress.gov/bill/109th-congress/senate-bill/1184

Sponsor

Name: Sen. Biden, Joseph R., Jr. [D-DE]

Party: Democratic • State: DE • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Obama, Barack [D-IL]	D·IL		Nov 1, 2005
Sen. Allen, George [R-VA]	$R \cdot VA$		Nov 2, 2005

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	Dec 22, 2005
Foreign Relations Committee	Senate	Reported By	Nov 4, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

International Affairs

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Mar 24, 2006)

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Waives passport fees for the widow, widower, child, parent, grandparent, brother, or sister of a deceased member of the armed forces traveling abroad to visit such member's grave or to attend such member's funeral or memorial service. (Current law does not provide such benefit for a widower or grandparent, and limits such benefit to visits to the grave.)

Actions Timeline

- Mar 24, 2006: Signed by President.
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- Mar 24, 2006: Became Public Law No: 109-210.
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- Mar 16, 2006: Presented to President.
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- Mar 14, 2006: Mr. Smith (NJ) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- Mar 14, 2006: Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H887-888)
- Mar 14, 2006: DEBATE The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on S. 1184.
- Mar 14, 2006: Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H887)
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- Mar 14, 2006: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- Mar 14, 2006: Cleared for White House.
- Dec 22, 2005: Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S14416; text as passed Senate: CR S14416)
- Dec 22, 2005: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S14416; text as passed Senate: CR S14416)
- Dec 22, 2005: Received in the House.
- Dec 22, 2005: Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- Dec 22, 2005: Referred to the House Committee on International Relations.
- Nov 4, 2005: Committee on Foreign Relations. Reported by Senator Lugar without amendment. Without written report.
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- Nov 4, 2005: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 279.
- Nov 1, 2005: Committee on Foreign Relations. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- Jun 7, 2005: Introduced in Senate
- Jun 7, 2005: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S6166)
- Jun 7, 2005: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (text of measure as introduced: CR S6166)