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# S 1634

Federal Judiciary Emergency Special Sessions Act of 2005

Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: Senate Policy Area: Law

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# **Sponsor**

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Sen. Grassley, Chuck [R-IA]	$R \cdot IA$		Sep 8, 2005
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Sen. Lott, Trent [R-MS]	$R \cdot MS$		Sep 8, 2005
Sen. Sessions, Jeff [R-AL]	$R \cdot AL$		Sep 8, 2005
Sen. Specter, Arlen [R-PA]	R · PA		Sep 8, 2005

# **Committee Activity**

No committee referrals or activity are recorded for this bill.

# **Subjects & Policy Tags**

# **Policy Area:**

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### **Related Bills**

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 3650	Related bill	Sep 9, 2005: Became Public Law No: 109-63.

Federal Judiciary Emergency Special Sessions Act of 2005 - Allows federal circuit courts of appeals, district courts, bankruptcy courts, and magistrate judges to hold special sessions outside their circuits or districts upon a finding that, because of emergency conditions, no location within the courts' regular circuits or districts is reasonably available. Authorizes such courts to transact any business, except certain criminal proceedings, at a special session outside their circuits or districts which they might transact at a regular session.

#### **Actions Timeline**

- Sep 8, 2005: Introduced in Senate
- Sep 8, 2005: Passed/agreed to in Senate: Introduced in the Senate, read twice, considered, read the third time, and passed without amendment by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S9774-9776; text as passed Senate: CR S9775-9776)
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- Sep 8, 2005: Received in the House.
- Sep 8, 2005: Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- Sep 8, 2005: Held at the desk.