

## S 2653

Call Home Act of 2006

**Congress:** 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Science, Technology, Communications

**Introduced:** Apr 26, 2006

**Current Status:** Became Public Law No: 109-459.

**Latest Action:** Became Public Law No: 109-459. (Dec 22, 2006)

**Law:** 109-459 (Enacted Dec 22, 2006)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/109th-congress/senate-bill/2653>

### Sponsor

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**Name:** Sen. Stevens, Ted [R-AK]

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

**Cosponsors** (44 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Alexander, Lamar [R-TN]	R · TN		Apr 26, 2006
Sen. Allard, Wayne [R-CO]	R · CO		Apr 26, 2006
Sen. Allen, George [R-VA]	R · VA		Apr 26, 2006
Sen. Bennett, Robert F. [R-UT]	R · UT		Apr 26, 2006
Sen. Bond, Christopher S. [R-MO]	R · MO		Apr 26, 2006
Sen. Boxer, Barbara [D-CA]	D · CA		Apr 26, 2006
Sen. Burns, Conrad R. [R-MT]	R · MT		Apr 26, 2006
Sen. Burr, Richard [R-NC]	R · NC		Apr 26, 2006
Sen. Clinton, Hillary Rodham [D-NY]	D · NY		Apr 26, 2006
Sen. Coleman, Norm [R-MN]	R · MN		Apr 26, 2006
Sen. Craig, Larry E. [R-ID]	R · ID		Apr 26, 2006
Sen. DeWine, Mike [R-OH]	R · OH		Apr 26, 2006
Sen. Dole, Elizabeth [R-NC]	R · NC		Apr 26, 2006
Sen. Domenici, Pete V. [R-NM]	R · NM		Apr 26, 2006
Sen. Dorgan, Byron L. [D-ND]	D · ND		Apr 26, 2006
Sen. Enzi, Michael B. [R-WY]	R · WY		Apr 26, 2006
Sen. Graham, Lindsey [R-SC]	R · SC		Apr 26, 2006
Sen. Gregg, Judd [R-NH]	R · NH		Apr 26, 2006
Sen. Inhofe, James M. [R-OK]	R · OK		Apr 26, 2006
Sen. Inouye, Daniel K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Apr 26, 2006
Sen. Jeffords, James M. [I-VT]	I · VT		Apr 26, 2006
Sen. Landrieu, Mary L. [D-LA]	D · LA		Apr 26, 2006
Sen. Lautenberg, Frank R. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Apr 26, 2006
Sen. Lieberman, Joseph I. [D-CT]	D · CT		Apr 26, 2006
Sen. Lott, Trent [R-MS]	R · MS		Apr 26, 2006
Sen. Mikulski, Barbara A. [D-MD]	D · MD		Apr 26, 2006
Sen. Murkowski, Lisa [R-AK]	R · AK		Apr 26, 2006
Sen. Nelson, Bill [D-FL]	D · FL		Apr 26, 2006
Sen. Pryor, Mark L. [D-AR]	D · AR		Apr 26, 2006
Sen. Rockefeller, John D., IV [D-WV]	D · WV		Apr 26, 2006
Sen. Santorum, Rick [R-PA]	R · PA		Apr 26, 2006
Sen. Snowe, Olympia J. [R-ME]	R · ME		Apr 26, 2006
Sen. Talent, Jim [R-MO]	R · MO		Apr 26, 2006
Sen. Thomas, Craig [R-WY]	R · WY		Apr 26, 2006
Sen. Vitter, David [R-LA]	R · LA		Apr 26, 2006
Sen. Warner, John [R-VA]	R · VA		Apr 26, 2006
Sen. Smith, Gordon H. [R-OR]	R · OR		May 1, 2006
Sen. Roberts, Pat [R-KS]	R · KS		May 3, 2006
Sen. Thune, John [R-SD]	R · SD		May 4, 2006
Sen. Nelson, Ben [D-NE]	D · NE		May 15, 2006
Sen. Crapo, Mike [R-ID]	R · ID		May 17, 2006

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Hutchison, Kay Bailey [R-TX]	R · TX		Jun 6, 2006
Sen. Bayh, Evan [D-IN]	D · IN		Dec 5, 2006
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		Dec 5, 2006

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Discharged From	Dec 7, 2006

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Science, Technology, Communications

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Dec 22, 2006)

Call Home Act of 2006 - Directs the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to to reduce the cost of calling home for military personnel stationed or deployed outside the United States in support of military operations, training exercises, or other purposes approved by the Secretary of Defense.

Prohibits the FCC from regulating rates in order to carry out this Act.

Amends the Telecommunications Authorization Act of 1992 to repeal current FCC cost reduction authority with respect to personnel stationed or deployed in specified countries.

Requires the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information to award at least \$1 billion for public safety interoperable communications grants by September 30, 2007.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Dec 22, 2006:** Signed by President.
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- **Dec 22, 2006:** Became Public Law No: 109-459.
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- **Dec 20, 2006:** Presented to President.
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- **Dec 9, 2006:** Considered by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR 12/8/2006 H9256)
- **Dec 9, 2006:** Mr. Barton (TX) asked unanimous consent to take from the Speaker's table and consider.
- **Dec 9, 2006:** Passed/agreed to in House: On passage Passed without objection.(text: CR 12/8/2006 H9256)
- **Dec 9, 2006:** On passage Passed without objection. (text: CR 12/8/2006 H9256)
- **Dec 9, 2006:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Dec 7, 2006:** Received in the House.
- **Dec 7, 2006:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Dec 7, 2006:** Held at the desk.
- **Dec 6, 2006:** Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation discharged by Unanimous Consent.
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- **Dec 6, 2006:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR 12/7/2006 S11387)
- **Dec 6, 2006:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **Dec 6, 2006:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **Apr 26, 2006:** Introduced in Senate
- **Apr 26, 2006:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S3591-3592)
- **Apr 26, 2006:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.