

SRES 525

Senate Legislative Transparency and Accountability Resolution of 2006

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Feingold, Russell D. [D-WI]

Party: Democratic • State: WI • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Obama, Barack [D-IL]	D · IL		Jun 29, 2006

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Rules and Administration Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 29, 2006

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 4975	Related bill	May 23, 2006: Laid on the table. See S. 2349 for further action.
109 S 2349	Related bill	May 23, 2006: Message on Senate action sent to the House.
109 HR 4988	Related bill	Apr 27, 2006: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H1880)
109 HR 4948	Related bill	Mar 14, 2006: Referred to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committees on Rules, and the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
109 S 2180	Related bill	Mar 6, 2006: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S1760-1761)
109 S 2128	Related bill	Mar 3, 2006: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 369.
109 HR 4575	Related bill	Feb 16, 2006: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution.
109 HR 2412	Related bill	May 17, 2005: Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Standards of Official Conduct, and Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

Senate Legislative Transparency and Accountability Resolution of 2006 - Amends Rule XXIII (Privilege of the Floor) of the Standing Rules of the Senate to deny floor privileges (except for ceremonial functions and events) to former Senators and Senators-elect, Secretaries, Sergeants at Arms of the Senate, and Speakers of the House of Representatives if they: (1) are registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal; or (2) are in the employ of or represent any party or organization for the purpose of influencing, directly or indirectly, the passage, defeat, or amendment of any legislative proposal.

Amends Rule XXXV (Gifts) to exclude gifts from lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal from the gift ban exceptions.

Requires a Member, officer, or employee, before accepting otherwise permissible transportation or lodging from any person other than a governmental entity, to obtain a written certification from such person (copy to the Select Committee on Ethics) that: (1) the trip was not financed by a registered lobbyist or foreign agent; (2) the person offering the transportation or lodging did not accept, directly or indirectly, funds from a registered lobbyist or foreign agent specifically earmarked to finance the travel expenses; (3) the trip was not planned, organized, or arranged by or at the request of a registered lobbyist or foreign agent; and (4) registered lobbyists will not participate in or attend the trip. Prescribes additional disclosure requirements, including certain information regarding noncommercial air travel.

Amends Rule XXXVII (Conflict of Interest) to impose a one-year lobbying moratorium, upon leaving such position, on any employee on the staff of a Member or on the staff of a committee meeting specified rate of pay and congressional employment criteria.

Prohibits a Senator from directly negotiating or having any arrangement concerning prospective private employment until after the election for his or her successor has been held, unless public disclosure of such employment negotiations and arrangements is provided.

Requires a Member to prohibit all of his or her staff from having any official contact with the Member's spouse or immediate family member if such individual is a registered lobbyist or is employed or retained by a registered lobbyist to influence legislation.

Amends Rule XLIII (Representation by Members) to prohibit a Member, with the intent to influence on the basis of partisan political affiliation an employment decision or employment practice of any private entity, from: (1) taking or withholding, or offering or threatening to take or withhold, an official act; or (2) influencing, or offering or threatening to influence, the official act of another.

Actions Timeline

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