

## S 344

A bill to permit the televising of Supreme Court proceedings.

**Congress:** 110 (2007–2009, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Law

**Introduced:** Jan 22, 2007

**Current Status:** By Senator Leahy from Committee on the Judiciary filed written report. Report No. 110-448.

**Latest Action:** By Senator Leahy from Committee on the Judiciary filed written report. Report No. 110-448. (Sep 8, 2008)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/110th-congress/senate-bill/344>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Specter, Arlen [R-PA]

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

### Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	D · IL		Jan 22, 2007
Sen. Feingold, Russell D. [D-WI]	D · WI		Jan 22, 2007
Sen. Grassley, Chuck [R-IA]	R · IA		Jan 22, 2007
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Jan 22, 2007
Sen. Cornyn, John [R-TX]	R · TX		Jan 30, 2007

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Reported By	Jul 29, 2008

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Law

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 HR 1299	Identical bill	<b>Mar 1, 2007:</b> Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.

### Summary (as of Jul 29, 2008)

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

Requires the Supreme Court to permit television coverage of all open sessions of the Court unless it decides by majority vote that allowing such coverage in a particular case would violate the due process rights of any of the parties involved.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Sep 8, 2008:** By Senator Leahy from Committee on the Judiciary filed written report. Report No. 110-448.
- **Jul 29, 2008:** Committee on the Judiciary. Reported by Senator Leahy without amendment. Without written report.
- **Jul 29, 2008:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 907.
- **Dec 6, 2007:** Committee on the Judiciary. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Feb 14, 2007:** Committee on the Judiciary. Hearings held.
- **Jan 29, 2007:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S1257-1262)
- **Jan 22, 2007:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jan 22, 2007:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S831-834)
- **Jan 22, 2007:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR S834)

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