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SRES 576

A resolution designating August 2008 as "Digital Television Transition Awareness Month".

Congress: 110 (2007–2009, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Science, Technology, Communications

Introduced: May 22, 2008

Current Status: Resolution agreed to in Senate with amendments and an amended preamble by Unanimous Consent.

Latest Action: Resolution agreed to in Senate with amendments and an amended preamble by Unanimous Consent. (Jul

11, 2008)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Hatch, Orrin G. [R-UT]

Party: Republican • State: UT • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (31 total)

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Akaka, Daniel K. [D-HI]	D · HI		May 22, 2008
Sen. Barrasso, John [R-WY]	$R \cdot WY$		May 22, 2008
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Sen. Boxer, Barbara [D-CA]	D · CA		May 22, 2008
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Sen. Cornyn, John [R-TX]	$R \cdot TX$		May 22, 2008
Sen. Craig, Larry E. [R-ID]	$R \cdot ID$		May 22, 2008
Sen. Crapo, Mike [R-ID]	$R \cdot ID$		May 22, 2008
Sen. Dorgan, Byron L. [D-ND]	$D \cdot ND$		May 22, 2008
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	$D\cdotIL$		May 22, 2008
Sen. Grassley, Chuck [R-IA]	$R \cdot IA$		May 22, 2008
Sen. Inhofe, James M. [R-OK]	$R \cdot OK$		May 22, 2008
Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]	$D \cdot MN$		May 22, 2008
Sen. Landrieu, Mary L. [D-LA]	D·LA		May 22, 2008
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	$D\cdotVT$		May 22, 2008
Sen. Nelson, Ben [D-NE]	D · NE		May 22, 2008
Sen. Roberts, Pat [R-KS]	$R \cdot KS$		May 22, 2008
Sen. Rockefeller, John D., IV [D-WV]	$D\cdotWV$		May 22, 2008
Sen. Sanders, Bernard [I-VT]	I · VT		May 22, 2008
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		May 22, 2008
Sen. Snowe, Olympia J. [R-ME]	$R \cdot ME$		May 22, 2008
Sen. Specter, Arlen [R-PA]	$R \cdot PA$		May 22, 2008
Sen. Tester, Jon [D-MT]	D · MT		May 22, 2008
Sen. Voinovich, George V. [R-OH]	$R \cdot OH$		May 22, 2008
Sen. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS]	$R \cdot MS$		May 22, 2008
Sen. Hagel, Chuck [R-NE]	$R \cdot NE$		Jun 2, 2008
Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]	D · CA		Jun 11, 2008

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Reported By	Jun 12, 2008

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Science, Technology, Communications

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jul 11, 2008)

Designates August 2008 as Digital Television Transition Awareness Month to increase public awareness and encourage consumers to learn about the steps they need to take to retain their television service, including possibly participating in the government coupon program for obtaining converter boxes.

Encourages consumers to make the transition well before the conversion date (February 17, 2009).

Encourages local nonprofit organizations to assist households in applying for the coupons and installing converter boxes and to educate consumers about websites and other sources of transition information.

Actions Timeline

- Jul 11, 2008: Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S6611-6612)
- Jul 11, 2008: Passed/agreed to in Senate: Resolution agreed to in Senate with amendments and an amended preamble by Unanimous Consent.
- Jul 11, 2008: Resolution agreed to in Senate with amendments and an amended preamble by Unanimous Consent.
- Jun 12, 2008: Committee on the Judiciary. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- Jun 12, 2008: Committee on the Judiciary. Reported by Senator Leahy without amendment and with a preamble. Without written report.
- Jun 12, 2008: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 777.
- May 22, 2008: Introduced in Senate
- May 22, 2008: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S4808)
- May 22, 2008: Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR S4808)