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HR 5971

American Elections Act of 2008 Congress: 110 (2007–2009, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Government Operations and Politics

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Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties. (Jun 3, 2008)

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Party: Republican • State: NV • Chamber: Senate

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Rep. Johnson, Sam [R-TX-3]	$R \cdot TX$		Jun 4, 2008
Rep. McCarthy, Kevin [R-CA-22]	$R \cdot CA$		Jun 4, 2008
Rep. Whitfield, Ed [R-KY-1]	$R \cdot KY$		Jun 4, 2008
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Rep. Calvert, Ken [R-CA-44]	$R \cdot CA$		Jun 9, 2008
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Rep. Bartlett, Roscoe G. [R-MD-6]	$R \cdot MD$		Sep 25, 2008

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Committee on House Administration	House	Referred To	May 6, 2008
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 3, 2008

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of May 6, 2008)

American Elections Act of 2008 - Amends the Help America Vote Act of 2002 to require, except as provided for under this Act, that all ballots and balloting material used in federal elections be only in the English language.

Amends the Voting Rights Act of 1965 to revise the requirement that certain jurisdictions provide ballots and other voting materials in languages other than English. Restricts such requirement to certain political subdivisions with populations of American Indians or Alaska Natives.

Actions Timeline

- Jun 3, 2008: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.
- May 6, 2008: Introduced in House
- May 6, 2008: Referred to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committee on 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.