

## S 1023

Travel Promotion Act of 2009

**Congress:** 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Transportation and Public Works

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**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/111th-congress/senate-bill/1023>

### Sponsor

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**Name:** Sen. Dorgan, Byron L. [D-ND]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** ND • **Chamber:** Senate

**Cosponsors** (53 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Begich, Mark [D-AK]	D · AK		May 12, 2009
Sen. Bennet, Michael F. [D-CO]	D · CO		May 12, 2009
Sen. Ensign, John [R-NV]	R · NV		May 12, 2009
Sen. Inouye, Daniel K. [D-HI]	D · HI		May 12, 2009
Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]	D · MN		May 12, 2009
Sen. Martinez, Mel [R-FL]	R · FL		May 12, 2009
Sen. Mikulski, Barbara A. [D-MD]	D · MD		May 12, 2009
Sen. Reid, Harry [D-NV]	D · NV		May 12, 2009
Sen. Udall, Mark [D-CO]	D · CO		May 12, 2009
Sen. Udall, Tom [D-NM]	D · NM		May 12, 2009
Sen. Vitter, David [R-LA]	R · LA		May 12, 2009
Sen. Boxer, Barbara [D-CA]	D · CA		May 14, 2009
Sen. Nelson, Bill [D-FL]	D · FL		May 14, 2009
Sen. Rockefeller, John D., IV [D-WV]	D · WV		May 14, 2009
Sen. Kerry, John F. [D-MA]	D · MA		May 19, 2009
Sen. Pryor, Mark L. [D-AR]	D · AR		May 19, 2009
Sen. Thune, John [R-SD]	R · SD		May 19, 2009
Sen. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS]	R · MS		May 20, 2009
Sen. Enzi, Michael B. [R-WY]	R · WY		Jun 1, 2009
Sen. Landrieu, Mary L. [D-LA]	D · LA		Jun 1, 2009
Sen. Graham, Lindsey [R-SC]	R · SC		Jun 3, 2009
Sen. Johnson, Tim [D-SD]	D · SD		Jun 3, 2009
Sen. Tester, Jon [D-MT]	D · MT		Jun 4, 2009
Sen. Akaka, Daniel K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Jun 8, 2009
Sen. Brownback, Sam [R-KS]	R · KS		Jun 8, 2009
Sen. Cardin, Benjamin L. [D-MD]	D · MD		Jun 8, 2009
Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Jun 8, 2009
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA		Jun 8, 2009
Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]	D · OR		Jun 8, 2009
Sen. Bond, Christopher S. [R-MO]	R · MO		Jun 9, 2009
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	D · IL		Jun 9, 2009
Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Jun 9, 2009
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	D · VT		Jun 9, 2009
Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH]	D · NH		Jun 9, 2009
Sen. Cochran, Thad [R-MS]	R · MS		Jun 11, 2009
Sen. Kaufman, Edward E. [D-DE]	D · DE		Jun 11, 2009
Sen. Lincoln, Blanche L. [D-AR]	D · AR		Jun 11, 2009
Sen. Dodd, Christopher J. [D-CT]	D · CT		Jun 15, 2009
Sen. Merkley, Jeff [D-OR]	D · OR		Jun 15, 2009
Sen. Sanders, Bernard [I-VT]	I · VT		Jun 15, 2009
Sen. Alexander, Lamar [R-TN]	R · TN		Jun 16, 2009

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Kennedy, Edward M. [D-MA]	D · MA		Jun 16, 2009
Sen. Levin, Carl [D-MI]	D · MI		Jun 16, 2009
Sen. Casey, Robert P., Jr. [D-PA]	D · PA		Jun 17, 2009
Sen. Conrad, Kent [D-ND]	D · ND		Jun 17, 2009
Sen. Lautenberg, Frank R. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Jun 17, 2009
Sen. Isakson, Johnny [R-GA]	R · GA		Jun 23, 2009
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		Jun 25, 2009
Sen. Specter, Arlen [D-PA]	D · PA		Jul 24, 2009
Sen. Bennett, Robert F. [R-UT]	R · UT		Jul 28, 2009
Sen. Warner, Mark R. [D-VA]	D · VA		Aug 3, 2009
Sen. Webb, Jim [D-VA]	D · VA		Aug 3, 2009
Sen. Burris, Roland [D-IL]	D · IL		Sep 8, 2009

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Reported By	Jun 5, 2009
Homeland Security Committee	House	Bills of Interest - Exchange of Letters	Sep 22, 2010

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Transportation and Public Works

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 HRES 1653	Procedurally related	Sep 23, 2010: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
111 HR 1299	Related bill	Mar 4, 2010: Became Public Law No: 111-145.
111 HR 2935	Related bill	Jul 23, 2009: Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security, and International Law.

## **Summary** (as of Sep 9, 2009)

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Travel Promotion Act of 2009 - Establishes the Corporation for Travel Promotion as an independent nonprofit corporation. Makes the Corporation subject to the provisions of the District of Columbia Nonprofit Corporation Act. Expresses the sense of Congress that the Corporation should not engage in lobbying activities.

Requires the Corporation, among other things, to provide useful information to people interested in traveling to the United States, counter and correct misperceptions regarding U.S. entry policy, and promote U.S. travel. Requires the Corporation to develop and maintain a publicly accessible website.

Requires the Corporation to establish annual objectives and an annual marketing plan and to submit an annual Corporation activities report to Congress.

Establishes in the Treasury the Travel Promotion Fund and requires non-federal matching funds.

Amends the Immigration and Nationality Act to require (under current law, authorize) the Secretary of Homeland Security to establish and collect a fee for the use of an electronic data sharing system concerning the admissibility of certain aliens into the United States that will ensure recovery of the full costs of providing and administering such system. Terminates such fee following FY2014.

Authorizes the Corporation to impose an annual assessment on U.S. members of the travel and tourism industry represented on the Board of Directors of the Corporation.

Amends the International Travel Act of 1961 to establish in the Department of Commerce the Office of Travel Promotion, to be headed by a Director.

Requires that the Office of Travel and Tourism Industries expand its research and development activities to promote international travel to the United States. Authorizes appropriations.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Sep 23, 2010:** Pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 1653, papers are returned to the Senate.
- **Sep 23, 2010:** Message received in the Senate: Returned to the Senate pursuant to the provisions of H.Res. 1653.
- **Sep 10, 2009:** Received in the House.
- **Sep 10, 2009:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Sep 10, 2009:** Held at the desk.
- **Sep 9, 2009:** Considered by Senate. (consideration: CR S9153-9158, S9158, S9159-9160, S9160-9161, S9161-9166, S9170-9172)
- **Sep 9, 2009:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Yea-Nay Vote. 79 - 19. Record Vote Number: 272.(text: CR S9170-9172)
- **Sep 9, 2009:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Yea-Nay Vote. 79 - 19. Record Vote Number: 272. (text: CR S9170-9172)
- **Sep 8, 2009:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S9118-9123)
- **Sep 8, 2009:** Motion by Senator Reid to recommit to Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation with instructions fell in Senate. (consideration: CR S9118)
- **Jun 25, 2009:** Returned to the Calendar. Calendar No. 71.
- **Jun 22, 2009:** Considered by Senate. (consideration: CR S6870-6882)
- **Jun 19, 2009:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S6840)
- **Jun 19, 2009:** The committee amendments were withdrawn by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S6840)
- **Jun 19, 2009:** Cloture motion on the bill presented in Senate. (consideration: CR S6840; text: CR S6840)
- **Jun 19, 2009:** Motion by Senator Reid to recommit to Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation with instructions that the Committee report back forthwith with the following amendment (SA 1351) made in Senate. (consideration: CR S6840; text: CR S6840)
- **Jun 17, 2009:** Motion to proceed to measure considered in Senate. (consideration: CR S6683-6687, S6706-6710; text of measure as reported in Senate: CR S6707-6709)
- **Jun 17, 2009:** Motion to proceed to consideration of measure agreed to in Senate by Voice Vote. (consideration: CR S6706)
- **Jun 16, 2009:** Cloture on the motion to proceed to the measure invoked in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 90 - 3. Record Vote Number: 208. (consideration: CR S6628-6630, S6630-6640; text: CR S6628)
- **Jun 11, 2009:** Motion to proceed to consideration of measure made in Senate. (consideration: CR S6526-6528)
- **Jun 11, 2009:** Cloture motion on the motion to proceed to the measure presented in Senate. (consideration: CR S6526; text: CR S6526)
- **Jun 5, 2009:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Reported by Senator Rockefeller under authority of the order of the Senate of 06/04/2009 with amendments. With written report No. 111-25.
- **Jun 5, 2009:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 71.
- **May 20, 2009:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Ordered to be reported with an amendment favorably.
- **May 13, 2009:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S5430)
- **May 12, 2009:** Introduced in Senate
- **May 12, 2009:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.