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Weekend Voting Act

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Government Operations and Politics

Introduced: Jan 6, 2009

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration. (text of measure as introduced)

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration. (text of measure as introduced: CR S135-136) (Jan 6, 2009)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Kohl, Herb [D-WI]

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

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Rules and Administration Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jan 6, 2009

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 HR 254	Identical bill	Jan 7, 2009: Referred to the House Committee on House Administration.

Weekend Voting Act - Amends the Revised Statutes with respect to the time of election to establish the first Saturday and Sunday after the first Friday in November, in every even numbered year, as the days for the election, in each state and territory, of Delegates to, or Members of, Congress.

Amends federal law with respect to presidential elections and vacancies to establish the first Saturday and Sunday after the first Friday in November, in every fourth year, as the days for the election of the President and Vice President of the United States.

Amends such federal laws to establish the same polling place hours in the United States for both congressional and presidential elections, namely from 10:00 a.m. EST on Saturday till 6:00 p.m. EST on Sunday, with polls allowed to close between the hours of 10:00 p.m. local time on Saturday and 6:00 a.m. local time on Sunday as provided by the law of the state in which the polling place is located.

Actions Timeline

- **Jan 6, 2009:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jan 6, 2009:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S135)
- **Jan 6, 2009:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration. (text of measure as introduced: CR S135-136)