

## S 1578

A bill to amend chapter 171 of title 28, United States Code, (commonly referred to as the Federal Torts Claim Act) to extend medical malpractice coverage to free clinics and the officers, governing board members, employees, and contractors of free clinics in the same manner and extent as certain Federal officers and employees.

**Congress:** 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Law

**Introduced:** Aug 5, 2009

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR S8867)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]

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

### Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. LeMieux, George S. [R-FL]	R · FL		Dec 8, 2009

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Aug 5, 2009

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Law

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of Aug 5, 2009)

Amends the Federal Torts Claim Act to extend medical malpractice coverage, treating the United States as liable, to free clinics and the officers, governing board members, employees, and contractors of free clinics in the same manner and extent as certain federal officers and employees.

### Actions Timeline

- **Aug 5, 2009:** Introduced in Senate
- **Aug 5, 2009:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S8866)
- **Aug 5, 2009:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR S8867)