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Fiscal Discipline, Earmark Reform, and Accountability Act

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Chamber: Senate
Policy Area: Congress
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 S145-146) (Jan 6, 2009)
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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Feingold, Russell D. [D-WI]
Party: Democratic • **State:** WI • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (7 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Coburn, Tom [R-OK]	R · OK		Jan 6, 2009
Sen. Graham, Lindsey [R-SC]	R · SC		Jan 6, 2009
Sen. McCain, John [R-AZ]	R · AZ		Jan 6, 2009
Sen. McCaskill, Claire [D-MO]	D · MO		Jan 6, 2009
Sen. Burr, Richard [R-NC]	R · NC		Jan 15, 2009
Sen. Lieberman, Joseph I. [ID-CT]	ID · CT		Feb 3, 2009
Sen. Risch, James E. [R-ID]	R · ID		Sep 17, 2009

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Rules and Administration Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jan 7, 2009

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 S 3026	Related bill	**Feb 23, 2010:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

Summary (as of Jan 6, 2009)

Fiscal Discipline, Earmark Reform, and Accountability Act - Amends Rule XVI (Appropriations and Amendments to General Appropriations Bills) of the Standing Rules of the Senate to revise procedures for consideration of points of order on appropriations bills.

Makes it out of order to consider in the Senate: (1) new or general legislation or any unauthorized appropriation included in an appropriation bill; (2) any amendment to an appropriation bill with the effect of adding an unauthorized appropriation to it; or (3) any unauthorized appropriation included in any amendment between the chambers, or any amendment to such an amendment, in relation to a general appropriation bill.

Amends Rule XLIV (Congressionally Directed Spending and Related Items), which makes it out of order to vote on the adoption of a conference report in the Senate unless it is available on a publicly accessible congressional website at least 48 hours before such vote. Specifies that such website availability must be in a searchable format.

Amends the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 to require a recipient of federal funds to disclose any registered lobbyist to whom the recipient paid money to lobby on behalf of such funding, including the amount of such funds.

Actions Timeline

- **Jan 6, 2009:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jan 6, 2009:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S144-145)
- **Jan 6, 2009:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration. (text of measure as introduced: CR S145-146)

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