

S 2847

CALM Act

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Science, Technology, Communications

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]

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

Cosponsors (7 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Dec 8, 2009
Sen. Johnson, Tim [D-SD]	D · SD		Dec 15, 2009
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA		Dec 16, 2009
Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]	D · OH		Dec 18, 2009
Sen. Nelson, Bill [D-FL]	D · FL		Dec 22, 2009
Sen. McCaskill, Claire [D-MO]	D · MO		Mar 17, 2010
Sen. Rockefeller, John D., IV [D-WV]	D · WV		May 12, 2010

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Reported By	Sep 28, 2010

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

(This measure has not been amended since it was passed by the Senate on September 29, 2010. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Commercial Advertisement Loudness Mitigation Act or the CALM Act - Directs the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to prescribe a regulation limiting the volume of television advertisements that is limited to incorporating by reference and making mandatory (but subject to waivers) the "Recommended Practice: Techniques for Establishing and Maintaining Audio Loudness for Digital Television" insofar as such recommended practice concerns the transmission of commercial advertisements by a television broadcast station, cable operator, or other multichannel video programming distributor.

Deems a broadcast television operator, cable operator, or other multichannel video programming distributor that installs, utilizes, and maintains in a commercially reasonable manner the equipment and associated software in compliance with the regulations issued by the FCC in accordance with this Act to be in compliance with such regulations.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 15, 2010:** Signed by President.
- **Dec 15, 2010:** Became Public Law No: 111-311.
- **Dec 3, 2010:** Presented to President.
- **Dec 2, 2010:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H7899)
- **Dec 2, 2010:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR 11/30/2010 H7720)
- **Dec 2, 2010:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR 11/30/2010 H7720)
- **Dec 2, 2010:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Dec 2, 2010:** Cleared for White House.
- **Nov 30, 2010:** Ms. Eshoo moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Nov 30, 2010:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H7720-7721)
- **Nov 30, 2010:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on S. 2847.
- **Nov 30, 2010:** At the conclusion of debate, the chair put the question on the motion to suspend the rules. Mr. Terry objected to the vote on the grounds that a quorum was not present. Further proceedings on the motion were postponed. The point of no quorum was withdrawn.
- **Nov 15, 2010:** Received in the House.
- **Nov 15, 2010:** Held at the desk.
- **Sep 30, 2010:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Sep 29, 2010:** By Senator Rockefeller from Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation filed written report. Report No. 111-340.
- **Sep 29, 2010:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S7763-7764; text of measure as reported in Senate: CR S7763-7764)
- **Sep 29, 2010:** The committee substitute as amended agreed to by Unanimous Consent.
- **Sep 29, 2010:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **Sep 29, 2010:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **Sep 28, 2010:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Reported by Senator Rockefeller with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. Without written report.
- **Sep 28, 2010:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 625.
- **Jun 9, 2010:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Dec 8, 2009:** Introduced in Senate
- **Dec 8, 2009:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S12710-12711)
- **Dec 8, 2009:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.