

## S 1744

### Guardian Accountability and Senior Protection Act

**Congress:** 112 (2011–2013, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Law

**Introduced:** Oct 20, 2011

**Current Status:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 450.

**Latest Action:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 450. (Jul 12, 2012)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]

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

### Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Nelson, Bill [D-FL]	D · FL		Oct 20, 2011
Sen. Cornyn, John [R-TX]	R · TX		Jun 25, 2012
Sen. Coons, Christopher A. [D-DE]	D · DE		Jul 12, 2012
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Jul 19, 2012

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Reported By	Jul 12, 2012

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Law

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

Guardian Accountability and Senior Protection Act - Amends the Older Americans Act of 1965 to authorize the Assistant Secretary of Aging in the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to make grants to and enter into contracts with states and other specified public and private recipients for: (1) assessing the fairness, effectiveness, timeliness, safety, integrity, and accessibility of adult guardianship and conservatorship proceedings; and (2) implementing necessary changes as a result of the assessments.

Requires the Assistant Secretary to submit to the State Justice Institute recommendations for the awarding of such grants and contracts.

Authorizes the award of grants to enable the highest court of each state to: (1) conduct assessments used with respect to a full, limited, or temporary adult guardianship or conservatorship; (2) implement necessary changes in light of them; and (3) collect necessary data regarding those proceedings and the impact of the necessary changes.

Requires the Assistant Secretary to set aside 25% of amounts made available for grants in each fiscal year to enable courts to implement or improve systems to conduct background checks on prospective guardians and conservators.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jul 12, 2012:** Committee on the Judiciary. Ordered to be reported with amendments favorably.
- **Jul 12, 2012:** Committee on the Judiciary. Reported by Senator Leahy with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and an amendment to the title. Without written report.
- **Jul 12, 2012:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 450.
- **Oct 20, 2011:** Introduced in Senate
- **Oct 20, 2011:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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