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Volunteer Emergency Services Recruitment and Retention Act of 2011

Congress: 112 (2011–2013, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Taxation

Introduced: Nov 18, 2011

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Nov 18, 2011)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]

Party: Republican • **State:** ME • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Nov 28, 2011
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Nov 28, 2011
Sen. Lieberman, Joseph I. [I-CT]	ID · CT		Dec 5, 2011
Sen. Johnson, Tim [D-SD]	D · SD		Jan 24, 2012
Sen. Kerry, John F. [D-MA]	D · MA		Jul 23, 2012

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Nov 18, 2011

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Taxation

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 HR 376	Identical bill	Feb 25, 2011: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.

Summary (as of Nov 18, 2011)

Volunteer Emergency Services Recruitment and Retention Act of 2011- Amends the Internal Revenue Code to allow sponsors of certain deferred compensation plans to elect to include length of service award plans for bona fide volunteers providing firefighting and fire prevention services, emergency medical services, ambulance services, and emergency rescue services.

Directs the Secretary of Labor to issue regulations exempting a length of service award program from treatment as an employee pension benefit plan under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 18, 2011:** Introduced in Senate
- **Nov 18, 2011:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S7834)
- **Nov 18, 2011:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

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