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A bill to permit the televising of Supreme Court proceedings.

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Law

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]

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

Cosponsors (9 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Dec 5, 2011
Sen. Cornyn, John [R-TX]	R · TX		Dec 5, 2011
Sen. Grassley, Chuck [R-IA]	R · IA		Dec 5, 2011
Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]	D · MN		Dec 5, 2011
Sen. Harkin, Tom [D-IA]	D · IA		Dec 6, 2011
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Dec 6, 2011
Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Feb 9, 2012
Sen. Begich, Mark [D-AK]	D · AK		Feb 29, 2012
Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]	D · OH		Mar 27, 2012

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Dec 6, 2011

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 HR 3572	Related bill	Dec 6, 2011: Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Requires the Supreme Court to permit television coverage of all open sessions of the Court unless it decides by majority vote that allowing such coverage in a particular case would violate the due process rights of any of the parties involved.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 13, 2012:** Committee on the Judiciary. Reported by Senator Leahy without amendment. Without written report.
- **Feb 13, 2012:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 319.
- **Feb 9, 2012:** Committee on the Judiciary. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Dec 6, 2011:** Committee on the Judiciary Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts. Hearings held. With printed Hearing: S.Hrg. 112-584.
- **Dec 5, 2011:** Introduced in Senate
- **Dec 5, 2011:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR S8186)