

## S 1945

A bill to permit the televising of Supreme Court proceedings.

**Congress:** 112 (2011–2013, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Law

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**Current Status:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 319.

**Latest Action:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 319. (Feb 13, 2012)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/112th-congress/senate-bill/1945>

### 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

**Policy Area:**

Law

### 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**

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- **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)