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### Social Security Fairness Act of 2011

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Social Welfare

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

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Dec 16, 2011)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/112th-congress/senate-bill/2010>

## Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Kerry, John F. [D-MA]

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

## Cosponsors (18 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		Dec 16, 2011
Sen. Udall, Tom [D-NM]	D · NM		Jan 23, 2012
Sen. Reed, Jack [D-RI]	D · RI		Jan 26, 2012
Sen. Cantwell, Maria [D-WA]	D · WA		Jan 30, 2012
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		Jan 30, 2012
Sen. Johnson, Tim [D-SD]	D · SD		Jan 31, 2012
Sen. Snowe, Olympia J. [R-ME]	R · ME		Jan 31, 2012
Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]	D · OH		Feb 14, 2012
Sen. Lautenberg, Frank R. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Feb 15, 2012
Sen. Begich, Mark [D-AK]	D · AK		Mar 8, 2012
Sen. Boxer, Barbara [D-CA]	D · CA		Mar 20, 2012
Sen. Sanders, Bernard [I-VT]	I · VT		Mar 22, 2012
Sen. Heller, Dean [R-NV]	R · NV		Apr 16, 2012
Sen. Brown, Scott P. [R-MA]	R · MA		Apr 26, 2012
Sen. Murkowski, Lisa [R-AK]	R · AK		May 14, 2012
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	D · VT		May 17, 2012
Sen. Inouye, Daniel K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Jun 5, 2012
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		Jul 30, 2012

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Dec 16, 2011

## Subjects & Policy Tags

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### Policy Area:

Social Welfare

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 HR 1332	Identical bill	Apr 7, 2011: Referred to the Subcommittee on Social Security.

### Summary (as of Dec 16, 2011)

Social Security Fairness Act of 2011 - Amends title II (Old Age, Survivors and Disability Insurance) (OASDI) of the Social Security Act to repeal the government pension offset requirement applicable to and reducing husband's and wife's insurance benefits, widow's and widower's insurance benefits, and divorced mother's and divorced father's insurance benefits with respect to federal, state, or local government employees who receive a government pension and did not pay Social Security taxes during their years of government service, and so did not earn entitlement to Social Security benefits for those years.

Repeals also the windfall elimination requirement with respect to computation of an individual's primary insurance amount under which OASDI retirement or disability benefits are reduced if the individual receives a federal, state, or local government pension, did not pay Social Security taxes during the years of government service, and so did not earn entitlement to Social Security benefits for those years.

### Actions Timeline

- **Dec 16, 2011:** Introduced in Senate
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