

S 245

CAP Act of 2011

Congress: 112 (2011–2013, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Economics and Public Finance

Introduced: Feb 1, 2011

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget. (text of measure as introduced: CR S5078)

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget. (text of measure as introduced: CR S5078) (Feb 1, 2011)

Official Text: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/112th-congress/senate-bill/245>

Sponsor

Name: Sen. Corker, Bob [R-TN]

Party: Republican • State: TN • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (15 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Alexander, Lamar [R-TN]	R · TN		Feb 1, 2011
Sen. Burr, Richard [R-NC]	R · NC		Feb 1, 2011
Sen. Chambliss, Saxby [R-GA]	R · GA		Feb 1, 2011
Sen. Inhofe, James M. [R-OK]	R · OK		Feb 1, 2011
Sen. Isakson, Johnny [R-GA]	R · GA		Feb 1, 2011
Sen. Kirk, Mark Steven [R-IL]	R · IL		Feb 1, 2011
Sen. McCain, John [R-AZ]	R · AZ		Feb 1, 2011
Sen. McCaskill, Claire [D-MO]	D · MO		Feb 1, 2011
Sen. Crapo, Mike [R-ID]	R · ID		Feb 2, 2011
Sen. Kyl, Jon [R-AZ]	R · AZ		Feb 2, 2011
Sen. Johnson, Ron [R-WI]	R · WI		Apr 14, 2011
Sen. Lieberman, Joseph I. [ID-CT]	ID · CT		Apr 14, 2011
Sen. Manchin, Joe, III [D-WV]	D · WV		May 2, 2011
Sen. Ayotte, Kelly [R-NH]	R · NH		May 10, 2011
Sen. Hoeven, John [R-ND]	R · ND		May 18, 2011

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Budget Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 1, 2011

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Economics and Public Finance

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 HR 2041	Related bill	May 26, 2011: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
112 HR 1605	Identical bill	Apr 15, 2011: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

Summary (as of Feb 1, 2011)

Commitment to American Prosperity Act of 2011 or CAP Act of 2011 - Amends the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 (Gramm-Rudman-Hollings Act) to require: (1) the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to estimate the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) outlay limit for the target fiscal year at the outset of the previous fiscal year, on April 30, on August 20, and 15 days after the conclusion of the fiscal year; (2) the Congressional Budget Office (CBO) to provide advisory reports calculating the GDP outlay limit at identical times; and (3) a sequestration by OMB within 45 calendar days after the beginning of a fiscal year to eliminate the excess outlay amount.

Prescribes requirements for CBO and OMB advisory sequestration preview reports and an OMB final sequestration report, accompanied by a presidential order detailing the uniform spending reduction.

Requires the House and the Senate budget committees to report a resolution directing their committees to change the existing law to achieve the goals outlined in the OMB August 20 report if it projects a sequestration.

Allows total federal outlays to exceed the GDP outlay limit if during the fiscal year the excess amount is being paid to reduce the public debt or the public debt is zero.

States that if, after November 15, a bill resulting in outlays for the current fiscal year is enacted that causes excess outlays, the excess outlays for the next fiscal year shall be increased by the amount or amounts of that breach.

Amends the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 to make it out of order in both chambers to consider any bill, joint resolution, amendment, or conference report that includes any provision that would cause the most recently reported current GDP outlay limits in the Gramm-Rudman-Hollings Act to be exceeded. Prescribes procedures for waiver or suspension of this rule.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 1, 2011:** Introduced in Senate
- **Feb 1, 2011:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S412-413)
- **Feb 1, 2011:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget. (text of measure as introduced: CR S5078)

LegiList

CONGRESS, MADE CLEAR.

Search Every Federal Bill, Law, and Vote

LegiList is the fastest way to research Congress. Track any bill from introduction to enactment, see how every legislator voted, follow committee activity, and read the full text of every bill — all in one place, always up to date.

legilist.com

Free Course: Learn How Congress Actually Works

LegiList Learn is a free, self-paced course that walks through the entire legislative process — from drafting a bill to a presidential signature. Seven modules, plain language, no politics. Earn a certificate when you finish.

legilist.com/learn

Developer API: Build Apps on Legislative Data

The LegiList API gives developers direct access to bills, votes, legislators, committees, and more. Start free with 1,000 requests per day — no credit card required. Upgrade to Pro when you need to scale.

legilist.com/api

Public data belongs to the public. — legilist.com