

S 3635

FAST Voting Act of 2012

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Government Operations and Politics

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

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration. (Nov 15, 2012)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Coons, Christopher A. [D-DE]

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

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Warner, Mark R. [D-VA]	D · VA		Nov 15, 2012
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		Nov 27, 2012
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Dec 19, 2012

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Rules and Administration Committee	Senate	Referred To	Nov 15, 2012

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Government Operations and Politics

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 HR 6590	Related bill	Dec 7, 2012: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
112 HR 1532	Related bill	May 20, 2011: Referred to the Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education.
112 S 844	Related bill	Apr 14, 2011: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (text of measure as introduced: CR S2523-2525)

Summary (as of Nov 15, 2012)

Louis L. Redding Fair, Accurate, Secure, and Timely Voting Act of 2012 or FAST Voting Act of 2012 - Directs the Attorney General to award grants, on a competitive basis, to enable states to: (1) invest in practices and technology designed to expedite voting at the polls, and (2) simplify voter registration.

Requires the grant application to include a comprehensive and coherent plan for using funds to improve the applicant's performance on specified measures with respect to: (1) flexible registration opportunities, (2) early voting, (3) assistance to non-English speaking voters, and (4) other related matters.

Requires each grantee to establish performance measures and targets, approved by the Attorney General, that track its progress in implementing its plan and expediting voting at the polls or simplifying voter registration, as applicable.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 15, 2012:** Introduced in Senate
- **Nov 15, 2012:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S6857-6858)
- **Nov 15, 2012:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.