

HR 5814

Poll Tape Transparency Act of 2012

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Committee on House Administration	House	Referred to	May 24, 2012

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 HR 5799	Related bill	Sep 26, 2012: Referred to the Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Training.
112 S 3608	Related bill	Sep 21, 2012: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

Poll Tape Transparency Act of 2012 - Amends the Help America Vote Act with respect to the requirements for each voting system used in a federal election.

Requires the appropriate election official, upon the closing of the polls at each polling place, and under the observation of the certified tabulation observers admitted to the polling place, to: (1) announce the vote orally; (2) post a copy of the poll tape reflecting the totals from each voting machine in the polling place upon which votes were cast; (3) prepare and post a statement of the total number of individuals who appeared at the polling place to cast ballots; and (4) display by noon the following day, at a prominent public location, a copy of each poll tape and statement.

Requires display of such information also on the official public websites of the applicable local election official and chief state election official.

Specifies similar treatment of ballots cast at early voting sites, absentee ballots, and the daily count of provisional ballots.

Actions Timeline

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