

## S 2061

### Preventing Conflicts of Interest with Contractors Act

**Congress:** 113 (2013–2015, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Government Operations and Politics

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**Current Status:** Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. (Sep 19, 2014)

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### Sponsor

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

### Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Begich, Mark [D-AK]	D · AK		Feb 27, 2014
Sen. McCaskill, Claire [D-MO]	D · MO		Feb 27, 2014

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Reported By	Sep 16, 2014
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 19, 2014

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

Preventing Conflicts of Interest with Contractors Act - Provides that a contract may not be entered into, and an extension of or option on a contract may not be exercised, with a contractor to conduct a quality review process relating to background investigation fieldwork services or background investigation support services if the contractor is performing the services to be reviewed.

Defines, for purposes of this Act:

- "agency" as an executive agency, a military department, an element of the intelligence community, the U.S. Postal Service (USPS), or the Postal Regulatory Commission;
- "background investigation fieldwork services" as the investigatory fieldwork conducted to determine the eligibility of an individual for logical and physical access to federally-controlled facilities or information systems, suitability or fitness for federal employment, eligibility for access to classified information or to hold a national security sensitive position, or fitness to perform work for or on behalf of the federal government as a contractor or employee, including interviews with individuals who might have relevant knowledge of the individual and reviews of educational and employment records, criminal and other legal records, and credit history; and
- "quality review process" as performing the final quality review of a background investigation to ensure that investigative, administrative, and other required standards have been met before the completed background investigation is delivered to the adjudicating agency (i.e., the agency that requested the background check and that has final decision-making authority).

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### **Actions Timeline**

- **Sep 19, 2014:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Sep 19, 2014:** Received in the House.
- **Sep 19, 2014:** Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.
- **Sep 18, 2014:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Voice Vote.(consideration: CR S5873-5874; text as passed Senate: CR S5873-5874)
- **Sep 18, 2014:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Voice Vote. (consideration: CR S5873-5874; text as passed Senate: CR S5873-5874)
- **Sep 16, 2014:** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Reported by Senator Carper with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 113-257.
- **Sep 16, 2014:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 565.
- **Jun 25, 2014:** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Feb 27, 2014:** Introduced in Senate
- **Feb 27, 2014:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.