

## S 296

Uniting American Families Act of 2013

**Congress:** 113 (2013–2015, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Immigration

**Introduced:** Feb 13, 2013

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR S710-7)

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR S710-712)  
(Feb 13, 2013)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/113th-congress/senate-bill/296>

### Sponsor

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**Name:** Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]

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

## Cosponsors (30 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Baldwin, Tammy [D-WI]	D · WI		Feb 13, 2013
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Feb 13, 2013
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		Feb 13, 2013
Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]	D · MN		Feb 13, 2013
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Feb 13, 2013
Sen. Boxer, Barbara [D-CA]	D · CA		Feb 25, 2013
Sen. Cowan, William M. [D-MA]	D · MA		Feb 25, 2013
Sen. Franken, Al [D-MN]	D · MN		Feb 25, 2013
Sen. Harkin, Tom [D-IA]	D · IA		Feb 25, 2013
Sen. Hirono, Mazie K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Feb 25, 2013
Sen. Warren, Elizabeth [D-MA]	D · MA		Feb 25, 2013
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		Feb 26, 2013
Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]	D · OH		Feb 27, 2013
Sen. Cantwell, Maria [D-WA]	D · WA		Feb 27, 2013
Sen. Reed, Jack [D-RI]	D · RI		Feb 27, 2013
Sen. Sanders, Bernard [I-VT]	I · VT		Feb 28, 2013
Sen. Cardin, Benjamin L. [D-MD]	D · MD		Mar 4, 2013
Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Mar 4, 2013
Sen. Coons, Christopher A. [D-DE]	D · DE		Mar 6, 2013
Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH]	D · NH		Mar 11, 2013
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA		Mar 13, 2013
Sen. Begich, Mark [D-AK]	D · AK		Mar 19, 2013
Sen. Lautenberg, Frank R. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Mar 19, 2013
Sen. Merkley, Jeff [D-OR]	D · OR		Apr 15, 2013
Sen. Mikulski, Barbara A. [D-MD]	D · MD		Apr 22, 2013
Sen. Udall, Mark [D-CO]	D · CO		Apr 22, 2013
Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]	D · OR		Apr 25, 2013
Sen. King, Angus S., Jr. [I-ME]	I · ME		May 8, 2013
Sen. Murphy, Christopher [D-CT]	D · CT		May 8, 2013
Sen. Markey, Edward J. [D-MA]	D · MA		Sep 11, 2013

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 13, 2013

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Immigration

## Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

Uniting American Families Act of 2013 - Amends the Immigration and Nationality Act to include a "permanent partner" within the scope of such Act. Defines a "permanent partner" as an individual 18 or older who: (1) is in a committed, intimate relationship with another individual 18 or older in which both individuals intend a lifelong commitment; (2) is financially interdependent with the other individual; (3) is not married to, or in a permanent partnership with, anyone other than the individual; (4) is unable to contract with the other individual a marriage cognizable under this Act; and (5) is not a first, second, or third degree blood relation of the other individual.

Defines "permanent partnership" as the relationship existing between two permanent partners.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Feb 13, 2013:** Introduced in Senate
- **Feb 13, 2013:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S709-710)
- **Feb 13, 2013:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR S710-712)