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FAST Voting Act of 2013

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Government Operations and Politics

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Current Status: Committee on Rules and Administration. Hearings held.

Latest Action: Committee on Rules and Administration. Hearings held. (Mar 12, 2014)

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Sponsor

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

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

Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Jan 23, 2013
Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Jan 23, 2013
Sen. Warner, Mark R. [D-VA]	D · VA		Jan 23, 2013
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		Jan 23, 2013
Sen. Warren, Elizabeth [D-MA]	D · MA		May 6, 2013

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Rules and Administration Committee	Senate	Hearings By (full committee)	Mar 12, 2014

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Government Operations and Politics

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
113 HR 97	Related bill	Jan 25, 2013: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution And Civil Justice.

Louis L. Redding Fair, Accurate, Secure, and Timely Voting Act of 2013 or FAST Voting Act of 2013 - 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

- **Mar 12, 2014:** Committee on Rules and Administration. Hearings held.
- **Jan 23, 2013:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jan 23, 2013:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S217-218)
- **Jan 23, 2013:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration. (text of measure as introduced: CR S218-219)