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### Clean and Fair Elections Act

**Congress:** 113 (2013–2015, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Government Operations and Politics

**Introduced:** Jan 22, 2013

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration. (text of measure as introduced)

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration. (text of measure as introduced: CR S47-48) (Jan 22, 2013)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/113th-congress/senate-bill/9>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Reid, Harry [D-NV]

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

### Cosponsors (19 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Boxer, Barbara [D-CA]	D · CA		Jan 22, 2013
Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]	D · OH		Jan 22, 2013
Sen. Coons, Christopher A. [D-DE]	D · DE		Jan 22, 2013
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	D · IL		Jan 22, 2013
Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]	D · CA		Jan 22, 2013
Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Jan 22, 2013
Sen. Heinrich, Martin [D-NM]	D · NM		Jan 22, 2013
Sen. Lautenberg, Frank R. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Jan 22, 2013
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	D · VT		Jan 22, 2013
Sen. Levin, Carl [D-MI]	D · MI		Jan 22, 2013
Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Jan 22, 2013
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA		Jan 22, 2013
Sen. Rockefeller, John D., IV [D-WV]	D · WV		Jan 22, 2013
Sen. Sanders, Bernard [I-VT]	I · VT		Jan 22, 2013
Sen. Schatz, Brian [D-HI]	D · HI		Jan 22, 2013
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Jan 22, 2013
Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH]	D · NH		Jan 22, 2013
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		Jan 22, 2013
Sen. Hirono, Mazie K. [D-HI]	D · HI		May 22, 2014

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Rules and Administration Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jan 22, 2013

## Subjects & Policy Tags

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### Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

### Related Bills

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No related bills are listed.

### Summary (as of Jan 22, 2013)

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Clean and Fair Elections Act - Expresses the sense of the Senate with respect to congressional attention to elections and voting, including concerning:

- structuring election administration and campaign finance systems so that the interests of the American public are the first priority;
- greater transparency and an end to anonymous political spending by shadow groups and special interests;
- disclosure of campaign contributions in a searchable, public online database,
- safeguarding the right to vote, including by prohibiting deceptive and misleading efforts to prevent voters from exercising the franchise;
- streamlining voting procedures;
- passage of legislation that includes expanded absentee voting, mandatory early voting periods, and voter registration reforms;
- ensuring that local election officials have working voting systems that are accessible, secure, and easy to use;
- state plans to reduce lines at polling places and provide additional flexibility in the event of a natural disaster or other emergency; and
- enforcement of the guarantees of the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments to the Constitution and the Voting Rights Act of 1965 so that all Americans are able to vote and have their votes count without discrimination.

### Actions Timeline

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- **Jan 22, 2013:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jan 22, 2013:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration. (text of measure as introduced: CR S47-48)