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Combating BDS Act of 2017

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Party: Republican • **State:** FL • **Chamber:** Senate

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Sen. Lankford, James [R-OK]	R · OK		Jan 24, 2017
Sen. Perdue, David [R-GA]	R · GA		Jan 24, 2017
Sen. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS]	R · MS		Jan 24, 2017
Sen. Young, Todd [R-IN]	R · IN		Jan 24, 2017
Sen. Moran, Jerry [R-KS]	R · KS		Feb 3, 2017
Sen. Tillis, Thomas [R-NC]	R · NC		Feb 3, 2017
Sen. McConnell, Mitch [R-KY]	R · KY		Feb 16, 2017
Sen. Grassley, Chuck [R-IA]	R · IA		Mar 7, 2017
Sen. Coons, Christopher A. [D-DE]	D · DE		Mar 13, 2017
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Sen. Toomey, Patrick [R-PA]	R · PA		Mar 23, 2017
Sen. Cantwell, Maria [D-WA]	D · WA		Apr 24, 2017
Sen. Ernst, Joni [R-IA]	R · IA		Apr 24, 2017
Sen. Fischer, Deb [R-NE]	R · NE		May 18, 2017
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		May 22, 2017
Sen. Boozman, John [R-AR]	R · AR		Jun 7, 2017
Sen. Sasse, Ben [R-NE]	R · NE		Jun 13, 2017
Sen. Tester, Jon [D-MT]	D · MT		Jun 20, 2017
Sen. Roberts, Pat [R-KS]	R · KS		Jul 12, 2017
Sen. Kennedy, John [R-LA]	R · LA		Jul 20, 2017

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Strange, Luther [R-AL]	R · AL		Jul 24, 2017
Sen. Gardner, Cory [R-CO]	R · CO		Jul 25, 2017
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Sen. Scott, Tim [R-SC]	R · SC		Sep 5, 2017
Sen. Casey, Robert P., Jr. [D-PA]	D · PA		Nov 28, 2017
Sen. Risch, James E. [R-ID]	R · ID		Mar 6, 2018
Sen. Hyde-Smith, Cindy [R-MS]	R · MS		Aug 23, 2018

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jan 17, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Finance and Financial Sector

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 2856	Related bill	Jun 8, 2017: Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

Summary (as of Jan 17, 2017)

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This bill allows a state or local government to adopt and enforce measures to divest its assets from, prohibit investment of its assets in, or restrict contracting with: (1) an entity that engages in a commerce- or investment-related boycott, divestment, or sanctions activity targeting Israel; or (2) an entity that owns or controls, is owned or controlled by, or is under common ownership or control with such an entity. Such measures are not preempted by federal law. A state or local government that seeks to adopt or enforce such measures shall comply with specified requirements related to notice, timing, and opportunity for comment.

In addition, the bill amends the Investment Company Act of 1940 to prohibit a person from bringing any civil, criminal, or administrative action against a registered investment company based solely upon that company's divestment from securities issued by a person that engages in a commerce- or investment-related boycott, divestment, or sanctions activity targeting Israel.

Actions Timeline

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