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We the People Democracy Reform Act of 2017

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Government Operations and Politics

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Udall, Tom [D-NM]

Party: Democratic • State: NM • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (16 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Baldwin, Tammy [D-WI]	D · WI		Sep 27, 2017
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	D · IL		Sep 27, 2017
Sen. Franken, Al [D-MN]	D · MN		Sep 27, 2017
Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Sep 27, 2017
Sen. Hirono, Mazie K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Sep 27, 2017
Sen. King, Angus S., Jr. [I-ME]	I · ME		Sep 27, 2017
Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]	D · MN		Sep 27, 2017
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	D · VT		Sep 27, 2017
Sen. Markey, Edward J. [D-MA]	D · MA		Sep 27, 2017
Sen. Merkley, Jeff [D-OR]	D · OR		Sep 27, 2017
Sen. Van Hollen, Chris [D-MD]	D · MD		Sep 27, 2017
Sen. Warren, Elizabeth [D-MA]	D · MA		Sep 27, 2017
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		Sep 27, 2017
Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]	D · OR		Sep 27, 2017
Sen. Smith, Tina [D-MN]	D · MN		Apr 19, 2018
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Jul 19, 2018

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Sep 27, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 6239	Related bill	<b>Jun 27, 2018:</b> Referred to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, Financial Services, and Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
115 S 3150	Related bill	<b>Jun 27, 2018:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.
115 S 2966	Related bill	<b>May 24, 2018:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
115 HR 3848	Related bill	<b>May 22, 2018:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Research and Technology.
115 S 1929	Related bill	<b>Oct 5, 2017:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.
115 HR 3952	Related bill	<b>Oct 4, 2017:</b> Referred to the House Committee on House Administration.
115 HR 3953	Related bill	<b>Oct 4, 2017:</b> Referred to the House Committee on House Administration.
115 HR 3954	Related bill	<b>Oct 4, 2017:</b> Referred to the House Committee on House Administration.
115 HR 3537	Related bill	<b>Sep 6, 2017:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice.
115 S 1640	Related bill	<b>Jul 26, 2017:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S4303-4310)
115 S 1585	Related bill	<b>Jul 19, 2017:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.
115 S 1353	Related bill	<b>Jun 14, 2017:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration. (Sponsor introductory remarks on measure: CR S3490-3491)
115 S 1184	Related bill	<b>May 18, 2017:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
115 HR 2493	Related bill	<b>May 17, 2017:</b> Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.
115 HR 305	Related bill	<b>Apr 5, 2017:</b> Motion to Discharge Committee filed by Ms. Eshoo. Petition No: 115-1. (<a href="http://clerk.house.gov/115/lrc/pd/petitions/DisPet0001.xml">Discharge petition</a> text with signatures.)
115 HR 1711	Related bill	<b>Mar 23, 2017:</b> Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.
115 S 721	Related bill	<b>Mar 23, 2017:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
115 HR 1615	Related bill	<b>Mar 17, 2017:</b> Referred to the House Committee on House Administration.
115 HR 1548	Related bill	<b>Mar 15, 2017:</b> Referred to the House Committee on House Administration.

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115 S 589	Related bill	<b>Mar 9, 2017:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.
115 HR 1102	Related bill	<b>Mar 6, 2017:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice.
115 HR 1134	Related bill	<b>Mar 6, 2017:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice.
115 HR 859	Related bill	<b>Mar 2, 2017:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations.
115 HR 1044	Related bill	<b>Feb 14, 2017:</b> Referred to the House Committee on House Administration.
115 S 360	Related bill	<b>Feb 13, 2017:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.
115 HR 371	Related bill	<b>Feb 6, 2017:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice.
115 S 265	Related bill	<b>Feb 1, 2017:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
115 S 65	Related bill	<b>Jan 9, 2017:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
115 S 26	Related bill	<b>Jan 4, 2017:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

## **We the People Democracy Reform Act of 2017**

This bill amends various provisions related to elections, including by:

- expanding the ban on election contributions by foreign nationals to include corporations subject to specified levels of ownership or control by foreign nationals or governments;
- expanding and otherwise revising various disclosure and reporting requirements related to campaign communications;
- imposing penalties for willfully violating limits related to campaign contributions for coordinated expenditures;
- revising notification requirements for campaign contributions of \$1,000 or more from any contributor during a calendar year;
- replacing the Federal Election Commission with the Federal Election Administration, which shall enforce specified election-related laws and formulate related policies;
- imposing restrictions on covered financial-services regulators, such as by prohibiting them from using their position to influence any matter that provides a direct and substantial pecuniary benefit to certain former employers or clients;
- requiring the President and Vice President to disclose financial interests, including tax returns, to Congress and the Office of Government Ethics;
- modifying the system for the public financing of presidential elections, including by providing for 600% matching funds for smaller campaign contributions and requiring a candidate who accepts public financing to agree not to accept certain bundled contributions;
- requiring each state to conduct redistricting through a plan developed by an independent commission or, if such a commission plan is not enacted, a plan developed and enacted by the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia; and
- directing states to permit same-day voter registration.

## **Actions Timeline**

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