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Background Check Expansion Act

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**Policy Area:** Crime and Law Enforcement

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### Sponsor

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**Name:** Sen. Murphy, Christopher [D-CT]

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

**Cosponsors** (40 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Baldwin, Tammy [D-WI]	D · WI		Oct 25, 2017
Sen. Bennet, Michael F. [D-CO]	D · CO		Oct 25, 2017
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Oct 25, 2017
Sen. Booker, Cory A. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Oct 25, 2017
Sen. Cardin, Benjamin L. [D-MD]	D · MD		Oct 25, 2017
Sen. Carper, Thomas R. [D-DE]	D · DE		Oct 25, 2017
Sen. Casey, Robert P., Jr. [D-PA]	D · PA		Oct 25, 2017
Sen. Cortez Masto, Catherine [D-NV]	D · NV		Oct 25, 2017
Sen. Duckworth, Tammy [D-IL]	D · IL		Oct 25, 2017
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	D · IL		Oct 25, 2017
Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]	D · CA		Oct 25, 2017
Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Oct 25, 2017
Sen. Harris, Kamala D. [D-CA]	D · CA		Oct 25, 2017
Sen. Hassan, Margaret Wood [D-NH]	D · NH		Oct 25, 2017
Sen. Heinrich, Martin [D-NM]	D · NM		Oct 25, 2017
Sen. Hirono, Mazie K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Oct 25, 2017
Sen. Kaine, Tim [D-VA]	D · VA		Oct 25, 2017
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	D · VT		Oct 25, 2017
Sen. Markey, Edward J. [D-MA]	D · MA		Oct 25, 2017
Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Oct 25, 2017
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA		Oct 25, 2017
Sen. Nelson, Bill [D-FL]	D · FL		Oct 25, 2017
Sen. Reed, Jack [D-RI]	D · RI		Oct 25, 2017
Sen. Sanders, Bernard [I-VT]	I · VT		Oct 25, 2017
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Oct 25, 2017
Sen. Udall, Tom [D-NM]	D · NM		Oct 25, 2017
Sen. Van Hollen, Chris [D-MD]	D · MD		Oct 25, 2017
Sen. Warren, Elizabeth [D-MA]	D · MA		Oct 25, 2017
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		Oct 25, 2017
Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]	D · OR		Oct 25, 2017
Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]	D · OH		Oct 31, 2017
Sen. Coons, Christopher A. [D-DE]	D · DE		Nov 13, 2017
Sen. Merkley, Jeff [D-OR]	D · OR		Jan 8, 2018
Sen. Smith, Tina [D-MN]	D · MN		Feb 28, 2018
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		Mar 6, 2018
Sen. Cantwell, Maria [D-WA]	D · WA		Jun 27, 2018
Sen. Warner, Mark R. [D-VA]	D · VA		Jun 27, 2018
Sen. Peters, Gary C. [D-MI]	D · MI		Jun 28, 2018
Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH]	D · NH		Jun 28, 2018
Sen. Schatz, Brian [D-HI]	D · HI		Jul 19, 2018

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Oct 25, 2017

### Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

### Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

### Summary (as of Oct 25, 2017)

#### Background Check Expansion Act

This bill establishes new background check requirements for firearm transfers between private parties (i.e., unlicensed individuals).

Specifically, it prohibits a firearm transfer between private parties unless a licensed gun dealer, manufacturer, or importer first takes possession of the firearm to conduct a background check.

The prohibition does not apply to certain firearm transfers, such as a gift between spouses in good faith.

### Actions Timeline

- **Oct 25, 2017:** Introduced in Senate
- **Oct 25, 2017:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.