

## S 3049

### Protecting American Votes and Elections Act of 2018

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Government Operations and Politics

**Introduced:** Jun 12, 2018

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration. (Jun 12, 2018)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]

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

### Cosponsors (14 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Jun 12, 2018
Sen. Markey, Edward J. [D-MA]	D · MA		Jun 12, 2018
Sen. Merkley, Jeff [D-OR]	D · OR		Jun 12, 2018
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA		Jun 12, 2018
Sen. Warren, Elizabeth [D-MA]	D · MA		Jun 12, 2018
Sen. Booker, Cory A. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Jul 23, 2018
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Aug 20, 2018
Sen. Schatz, Brian [D-HI]	D · HI		Aug 20, 2018
Sen. Harris, Kamala D. [D-CA]	D · CA		Aug 21, 2018
Sen. Sanders, Bernard [I-VT]	I · VT		Aug 23, 2018
Sen. Duckworth, Tammy [D-IL]	D · IL		Sep 17, 2018
Sen. Baldwin, Tammy [D-WI]	D · WI		Sep 25, 2018
Sen. Cantwell, Maria [D-WA]	D · WA		Sep 28, 2018
Sen. Peters, Gary C. [D-MI]	D · MI		Oct 4, 2018

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Rules and Administration Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 12, 2018

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 6093	Identical bill	<b>Jun 13, 2018:</b> Referred to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, 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 HR 3132	Related bill	<b>May 22, 2018:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Research and Technology.
115 HR 12	Related bill	<b>Jul 14, 2017:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice.
115 S 1437	Related bill	<b>Jun 26, 2017:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.
115 HR 1562	Related bill	<b>Apr 25, 2017:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Research and Technology.

## Summary (as of Jun 12, 2018)

### Protecting American Votes and Elections Act of 2018

This bill requires voting systems for federal elections to produce paper ballots that the voter may inspect for errors before the vote is cast. The bill also (1) requires the paper ballot to be suitable for manual audits, (2) prescribes approved methods for such audits, (3) revises accessibility requirements related to the bill's paper ballot requirements, and (4) directs the National Science Foundation to make grants to eligible entities to study and develop mechanisms to address various voting issues.

### Actions Timeline

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