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A bill to establish a 5-year ban on individuals appointed to Executive Schedule positions and Members of Congress engaging in lobbying activities at the Federal level.

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Policy Area: Government Operations and Politics

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Tester, Jon [D-MT]

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

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 2, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 1934	Related bill	Apr 26, 2017: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice.

Summary (as of Mar 2, 2017)

This bill amends the federal criminal code to increase to five years the ban on individuals appointed to executive schedule positions (except special government employees who serve less than 60 days in a 1-year period) from engaging in lobbying activities in the executive branch.

The Office of Government Ethics may waive lobbying restrictions for certain executive schedule employees if it determines that the restrictions would create an undue hardship in obtaining qualified personnel for agency positions and granting such waiver would not create the potential for use of undue influence or unfair advantage.

The bill increases to five years the ban on lobbying activities by Senators or Members of the House of Representatives.

Actions Timeline

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