

## S 3569

### Keeping Critical Connections Act of 2020

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Science, Technology, Communications

**Introduced:** Mar 23, 2020

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. (Mar 23, 2020)

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## Sponsor

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

## Cosponsors (35 total)

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Sen. Baldwin, Tammy [D-WI]	D · WI		Mar 23, 2020
Sen. Barrasso, John [R-WY]	R · WY		Mar 23, 2020
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Sen. Daines, Steve [R-MT]	R · MT		Mar 23, 2020
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Sen. Rosen, Jacky [D-NV]	D · NV		Mar 23, 2020
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Sen. Sullivan, Dan [R-AK]	R · AK		Mar 23, 2020
Sen. Tester, Jon [D-MT]	D · MT		Mar 23, 2020
Sen. Young, Todd [R-IN]	R · IN		Mar 23, 2020
Sen. Bennet, Michael F. [D-CO]	D · CO		Mar 24, 2020
Sen. Cortez Masto, Catherine [D-NV]	D · NV		Mar 24, 2020
Sen. Hawley, Josh [R-MO]	R · MO		Mar 24, 2020
Sen. Hoeven, John [R-ND]	R · ND		Mar 24, 2020
Sen. Duckworth, Tammy [D-IL]	D · IL		May 5, 2020
Sen. Ernst, Joni [R-IA]	R · IA		May 5, 2020
Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY]	D · NY		May 5, 2020
Sen. Hassan, Margaret Wood [D-NH]	D · NH		May 5, 2020
Sen. Loeffler, Kelly [R-GA]	R · GA		May 5, 2020
Sen. Perdue, David [R-GA]	R · GA		May 5, 2020
Sen. Sinema, Kyrsten [D-AZ]	D · AZ		May 5, 2020
Sen. Tillis, Thomas [R-NC]	R · NC		May 5, 2020
Sen. Boozman, John [R-AR]	R · AR		May 12, 2020
Sen. Cotton, Tom [R-AR]	R · AR		May 12, 2020
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	D · IL		May 12, 2020
Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH]	D · NH		May 12, 2020
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		May 14, 2020
Sen. McSally, Martha [R-AZ]	R · AZ		May 14, 2020
Sen. Merkley, Jeff [D-OR]	D · OR		May 14, 2020
Sen. Warner, Mark R. [D-VA]	D · VA		May 14, 2020
Sen. Crapo, Mike [R-ID]	R · ID		Jun 25, 2020
Sen. Kaine, Tim [D-VA]	D · VA		Jun 25, 2020

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 23, 2020

## Subjects & Policy Tags

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### Policy Area:

Science, Technology, Communications

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 6394	Related bill	<b>Mar 25, 2020:</b> Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations.

### Summary (as of Mar 23, 2020)

#### Keeping Critical Connections Act of 2020

This bill provides funds with which the Federal Communications Commission shall reimburse small business broadband providers for costs incurred during the COVID-19 (i.e., coronavirus disease 2019) emergency period to voluntarily (1) provide free or discounted service to students in need of distance learning capacity, or (2) refrain from disconnecting low-income households that cannot afford to make a full payment.

### Actions Timeline

- **Mar 23, 2020:** Introduced in Senate
- **Mar 23, 2020:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.