

S 3569

Keeping Critical Connections Act of 2020

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Sponsor

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

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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
Sen. Jones, Doug [D-AL]	D · AL		Mar 23, 2020
Sen. Murkowski, Lisa [R-AK]	R · AK		Mar 23, 2020
Sen. Peters, Gary C. [D-MI]	D · MI		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
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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. McCally, 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

Policy Area:

Science, Technology, Communications

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 6394	Related bill	Mar 25, 2020: 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

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