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Supreme Court Ethics Act

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Sponsor

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| Sen. Udall, Tom [D-NM] | D · NM | | Jul 29, 2020 |
| Sen. Rosen, Jacky [D-NV] | D · NV | | Aug 13, 2020 |
| Sen. Carper, Thomas R. [D-DE] | D · DE | | Sep 9, 2020 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Judiciary Committee | Senate | Referred To | Feb 7, 2019 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 116 HR 1057 | Identical bill | Mar 22, 2019: Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, and the Internet. |
| 116 HR 1 | Related bill | Mar 14, 2019: Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 39. |

Summary (as of Feb 7, 2019)

Supreme Court Ethics Act

This bill establishes a new statutory requirement for the Judicial Conference of the United States (Judicial Conference) to issue a judicial code of conduct for judges and justices of U.S. courts (including Justices of the Supreme Court).

Currently, the Judicial Conference issues a code of conduct for judges of U.S. courts (but not for Justices of the Supreme Court).

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 7, 2019:** Introduced in Senate
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