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Jamal Khashoggi Press Freedom Accountability Act of 2020

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: International Affairs

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Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (Dec 9, 2020)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]

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

Cosponsors (1 total)

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Committee Activity

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Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

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| 116 HR 8641 | Related bill | Oct 20, 2020: Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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. |

Summary (as of Dec 9, 2020)

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This bill establishes measures to protect the human rights of journalists.

Specifically, the bill (1) expands the scope of required reports related to violations of the human rights of journalists, (2) requires the President to impose certain property- and visa-blocking sanctions on persons responsible for gross violations of the human rights of journalists, and (3) prohibits certain foreign assistance to a governmental entity of a country if an official acting under authority of the entity has committed a gross violation of human rights against a journalist.

Actions Timeline

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