

SJRES 51

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to contributions and expenditures intended to affect elections.

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Government Operations and Politics

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

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Sen. Hassan, Margaret Wood [D-NH]	D · NH		Jul 30, 2019
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Sen. Jones, Doug [D-AL]	D · AL		Jul 30, 2019
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Sen. King, Angus S., Jr. [I-ME]	I · ME		Jul 30, 2019
Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]	D · MN		Jul 30, 2019
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Sen. Markey, Edward J. [D-MA]	D · MA		Jul 30, 2019
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Sen. Murphy, Christopher [D-CT]	D · CT		Jul 30, 2019
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA		Jul 30, 2019
Sen. Peters, Gary C. [D-MI]	D · MI		Jul 30, 2019
Sen. Reed, Jack [D-RI]	D · RI		Jul 30, 2019
Sen. Rosen, Jacky [D-NV]	D · NV		Jul 30, 2019
Sen. Sanders, Bernard [I-VT]	I · VT		Jul 30, 2019
Sen. Schatz, Brian [D-HI]	D · HI		Jul 30, 2019
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Jul 30, 2019
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jul 30, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HJRES 2	Related bill	Jan 3, 2019: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.

Summary (as of Jul 30, 2019)

Constitutional Amendment

This joint resolution proposes a constitutional amendment authorizing Congress and the states to set reasonable limits on the raising and spending of money by candidates and others to influence elections.

The amendment grants Congress and the states the power to implement and enforce this amendment by legislation. They are allowed to distinguish between natural persons and corporations or other artificial entities created by law, including by prohibiting such entities from spending money to influence elections.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 30, 2019:** Introduced in Senate
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