

SRES 548

A resolution amending the Standing Rules of the Senate to enable the participation of absent Senators during a national crisis.

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Congress

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • **State:** OH • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (16 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	D · IL		Mar 19, 2020
Sen. Cramer, Kevin [R-ND]	R · ND		Mar 23, 2020
Sen. Crapo, Mike [R-ID]	R · ID		Mar 23, 2020
Sen. Graham, Lindsey [R-SC]	R · SC		Mar 23, 2020
Sen. Harris, Kamala D. [D-CA]	D · CA		Mar 23, 2020
Sen. King, Angus S., Jr. [I-ME]	I · ME		Mar 23, 2020
Sen. Murkowski, Lisa [R-AK]	R · AK		Mar 23, 2020
Sen. Schatz, Brian [D-HI]	D · HI		Mar 23, 2020
Sen. Scott, Tim [R-SC]	R · SC		Mar 23, 2020
Sen. Warren, Elizabeth [D-MA]	D · MA		Mar 23, 2020
Sen. Booker, Cory A. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Mar 24, 2020
Sen. Casey, Robert P., Jr. [D-PA]	D · PA		Mar 24, 2020
Sen. Duckworth, Tammy [D-IL]	D · IL		Mar 24, 2020
Sen. Hawley, Josh [R-MO]	R · MO		Mar 24, 2020
Sen. Sanders, Bernard [I-VT]	I · VT		Mar 24, 2020
Sen. Sullivan, Dan [R-AK]	R · AK		Mar 24, 2020

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Rules and Administration Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 19, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Mar 19, 2020)

This resolution sets forth procedures that allow Senators to cast their votes from outside of the Senate chamber. Specifically, these votes may be cast using certain technology approved by the Secretary of the Senate and Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper if the majority leader and minority leader determine that an extraordinary crisis of national extent exists in which it would be infeasible for Senators to cast their votes in person.

Actions Timeline

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