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Protect our Elections Act

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Cardin, Benjamin L. [D-MD]	D · MD		Mar 14, 2019
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		Mar 14, 2019
Sen. Rubio, Marco [R-FL]	R · FL		Mar 14, 2019

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Rules and Administration Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 14, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Government Operations and Politics

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 4777	Identical bill	<b>Oct 21, 2019:</b> Referred to the House Committee on House Administration.
116 S 823	Related bill	<b>Mar 14, 2019:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

## **Protect our Elections Act**

This bill requires each state or local government entity responsible for the administration of federal elections to ensure that each election service provider (i.e., contractor or vendor) is a qualified provider with regard to (1) the ownership and control of the provider, (2) the provider's compliance with cybersecurity best practices, and (3) the provider's reporting of its ownership and control.

The bill requires the entity to annually evaluate each provider.

It also specifies reporting requirements for providers, subject to civil penalties.

## **Actions Timeline**

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