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Brighter Sunshine on Donations Act

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Merkley, Jeff [D-OR]

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

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Rules and Administration Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 28, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Mar 28, 2019)

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This bill requires the disclosure of certain federal campaign contributions regardless of the purpose of the contribution, subject to other requirements. Currently, reporting is generally required for a contribution over a certain amount for

- a communication expressly advocating for the election or defeat of a candidate (i.e., an independent expenditure), or
- a broadcast, cable, or satellite communication during preelection periods that refers to a candidate, but does not call for election or defeat (i.e., an electioneering communication).

Actions Timeline

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