

## S 857

### PLUM Act

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Government Operations and Politics

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**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. (Mar 18, 2021)

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### Sponsor

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

### Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Merkley, Jeff [D-OR]	D · OR		Mar 18, 2021
Sen. Duckworth, Tammy [D-IL]	D · IL		Aug 4, 2021

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 18, 2021

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 3650	Related bill	Dec 5, 2022: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 574.
117 HR 2043	Related bill	Dec 13, 2021: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 157.

## **Periodically Listing Updates to Management Act or the PLUM Act**

This bill replaces the congressional publication entitled *United States Government Policy and Supporting Positions*, commonly known as the *PLUM Book*, with an online public directory.

The PLUM Book contains personnel information for federal civil service leadership and support positions in the legislative and executive branches that may be subject to noncompetitive appointment, including heads of agencies and policy executives. The book is used to identify presidentially appointed positions and is published every four years (after each presidential election) by certain congressional committees.

The bill requires the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) to publish the information contained in the PLUM Book on a public website in a format that is easily searchable and that otherwise meets certain data standards. Agencies must upload updated information to the website on a monthly basis; OPM must verify the accuracy of the information twice a year in coordination with the White House Office of Presidential Personnel.

The bill terminates publication of the PLUM Book in its current form on January 1, 2024.

## **Actions Timeline**

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