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Securing and Enabling Commerce Using Remote and Electronic Notarization Act of 2023

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 HR 1059	Related bill	Feb 28, 2023: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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This bill allows a notary public commissioned under state law to remotely notarize electronic records and perform notarizations for remotely located individuals. The bill provides technical requirements for the notarizations, including the creation and retention of video and audio recordings and the use of communication technologies (i.e., video chat).

Additionally, the bill requires U.S. courts and states to recognize notarizations—including remote notarizations of electronic records and notarizations of remotely-located individuals—that occur in or affect interstate commerce and are performed by a notary public commissioned under the laws of other states.

The bill also allows a notary public to remotely notarize electronic records involving an individual located outside of the United States, subject to certain requirements.

Actions Timeline

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