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Hearing Protection Act

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**Chamber:** Senate

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Sen. Tillis, Thomas [R-NC]	R · NC		Feb 14, 2023
Sen. Vance, J. D. [R-OH]	R · OH		Feb 14, 2023
Sen. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS]	R · MS		Feb 14, 2023
Sen. Lee, Mike [R-UT]	R · UT		Feb 16, 2023
Sen. Hoeven, John [R-ND]	R · ND		Feb 28, 2023
Sen. Mullin, Markwayne [R-OK]	R · OK		Mar 7, 2023
Sen. Sullivan, Dan [R-AK]	R · AK		Jun 3, 2024

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 14, 2023

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Taxation

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 HR 152	Related bill	<b>Dec 17, 2024:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

## Hearing Protection Act

This bill removes silencers from the definition of *firearms* for purposes of the National Firearms Act. It also treats persons acquiring or possessing a firearm silencer as meeting any registration and licensing requirements of such Act.

The Department of Justice must destroy certain records relating to the registration, transfer, or making of a silencer.

The bill also revises the definitions of *firearm silencer* and *firearm muffler* under the federal criminal code and includes such items in the 10% excise tax category.

## Actions Timeline

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