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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • State: MN • Chamber: Senate

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Sen. Kaine, Tim [D-VA]	$D \cdot VA$		Mar 2, 2023
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Sen. Smith, Tina [D-MN]	$D \cdot MN$		Mar 2, 2023
Sen. Warren, Elizabeth [D-MA]	D · MA		Mar 2, 2023
Sen. Welch, Peter [D-VT]	$D \cdot VT$		Mar 2, 2023
Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]	D · OR		Mar 2, 2023
Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]	D · OH		Mar 6, 2023
Sen. Butler, Laphonza R. [D-CA]	D · CA		Dec 12, 2023

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Rules and Administration Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 2, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 HR 11	Related bill	Dec 17, 2024: Referred to the Subcommittee on Social Security.
118 HR 5292	Identical bill	Aug 25, 2023: Referred to the House Committee on House Administration.

Summary (as of Mar 2, 2023)

Sustaining Our Democracy Act

This bill establishes and provides funds through FY2033 for the State Election Assistance and Innovation Trust Fund for purposes of promoting election activities.

Specifically, the bill establishes the Democracy Advancement and Innovation Program, through which the Office of Democracy Advancement and Innovation (also established by this bill) shall make allocations to states for carrying out democracy promotion activities. These activities include improving the administration of federal elections, recruiting and training nonpartisan election officials and poll workers, and increasing voting access.

The bill requires each state, in order to receive allocated funds, to (1) submit a plan for approval that describes how the state will distribute resources and carry out democracy promotion activities, and (2) establish uniform and nondiscriminatory state-based administrative complaint procedures.

The bill prohibits states from using funds for certain activities, including any activity that diminishes the ability of any eligible voter to participate in the electoral process.

Actions Timeline

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