

HR 642

Restoring Judicial Separation of Powers Act

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Policy Area: Law

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Casten, Sean [D-IL-6]

Party: Democratic • State: IL • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]	D · OR		Jan 31, 2023
Rep. McCollum, Betty [D-MN-4]	D · MN		May 23, 2023

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Jan 31, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Law

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

## Restoring Judicial Separation of Powers Act

This bill revises the federal statutory framework that confers appellate jurisdiction to courts.

Among the changes, the bill grants the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit—not the Supreme Court—jurisdiction over

- direct appeals from final decisions of three-judge panels, and
- appeals by certiorari and certified questions.

The bill also establishes a 13-judge multi-circuit panel and grants it jurisdiction over any case in which the United States or a federal agency is a party, or a case concerning constitutional interpretation, statutory interpretation of federal law, or the function or actions of an executive order.

Finally, the bill specifies that whenever an action before a federal court seeks injunctive relief barring the enforcement of a federal law, statute, regulation, or order against a nonparty, the court shall, upon a motion of a party, transfer the action to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Jan 31, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 31, 2023:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H559)
- **Jan 31, 2023:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.