

## S 898

### Merchant Category Code Neutrality Act

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## Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Thune, John [R-SD]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** SD • **Chamber:** Senate

## Cosponsors (6 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Blackburn, Marsha [R-TN]	R · TN		Mar 21, 2023
Sen. Cassidy, Bill [R-LA]	R · LA		Mar 21, 2023
Sen. Crapo, Mike [R-ID]	R · ID		Mar 21, 2023
Sen. Daines, Steve [R-MT]	R · MT		Mar 21, 2023
Sen. Lankford, James [R-OK]	R · OK		Mar 21, 2023
Sen. Tillis, Thomas [R-NC]	R · NC		Mar 21, 2023

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 21, 2023

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Taxation

## Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

## **Merchant Category Code Neutrality Act**

This bill prohibits the Internal Revenue Service from auditing a taxpayer based primarily on the Merchant Category Codes, or other similar codes, used to classify the goods or services provided by the taxpayer's business. The bill defines *Merchant Category Code* to mean classification codes assigned by payment card organizations to merchants or payees that accept their payment cards to classify the goods or services provided or furnished by a merchant or payee.

### **Actions Timeline**

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