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Sunshine in the Courtroom Act of 2025

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Policy Area: Law
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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Grassley, Chuck [R-IA]
Party: Republican • **State:** IA • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Mar 26, 2025
Sen. Cornyn, John [R-TX]	R · TX		Mar 26, 2025
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	D · IL		Mar 26, 2025
Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]	D · MN		Mar 26, 2025
Sen. Markey, Edward J. [D-MA]	D · MA		Mar 26, 2025

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 26, 2025
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Markup By	Jun 18, 2026
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Reported By	Jun 23, 2026

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Law

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
119 S 833	Cross-Congress related bill	**Mar 16, 2023:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
119 S 818	Cross-Congress related bill	**Jun 24, 2021:** Committee on the Judiciary. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.

Summary (as of Jun 23, 2026)

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This bill establishes a framework to allow federal court proceedings—in district courts, in circuit courts, and at the Supreme Court—to be photographed, recorded, broadcast, or televised. Specifically, it authorizes the presiding judge to permit media coverage of court proceedings, subject to requirements and limitations.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 23, 2026:** Committee on the Judiciary. Reported by Senator Grassley without amendment. Without written report.
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- **Jun 18, 2026:** Committee on the Judiciary. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Mar 26, 2025:** Introduced in Senate
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