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Presidential Allowance Modernization Act of 2025

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Ernst, Joni [R-IA]

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

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 12, 2025

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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This bill changes the compensation provided to future former Presidents and increases the compensation for the widow or widower of a future former President.

Currently, former Presidents receive an allowance equivalent to the annual rate of basic pay of the head of an executive department (\$250,600 in 2025), as well as government-provided office space and office staff.

Under the bill, individuals who become former Presidents after enactment shall annually receive from the United States an annuity of \$200,000 and a monetary allowance of \$200,000. The allowance shall be reduced by the amount the former President's adjusted gross income and interest on certain tax-exempt bonds exceeds \$400,000 (although the reduction may be decreased to account for certain security-related expenditures). Both the annuity and allowance shall receive annual cost-of-living increases. The annuity and allowance shall not be payable for any period during which the former President holds a federal government position with a rate of pay other than a nominal rate.

Other changes made by the bill include (1) removing a statutory provision specifying that former Presidents receive government-provided office space and office staff, and (2) increasing from \$20,000 to \$100,000 the annual allowance for surviving spouses of individuals who become former Presidents after enactment and providing annual cost-of-living increases for such allowance.

Actions Timeline

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