



## Sam Brownback

**Party:** Republican • **Chamber:** Senate

**State:** KS

**Service:** 1996–2011

**Most recent Congress:** 111

### Biography

A Representative and a Senator from Kansas. Born in Garnett, Kans. , September 12, 1956. Grew up on his family's farm near Parker, Kans. , and graduated from Prairie View High School, Linn County, Kans. Graduated from Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kans. , in 1979. Received law degree from University of Kansas, Lawrence, in 1982.

Administrator, broadcaster, teacher, attorney and author. Kansas Secretary of Agriculture 1986-1993. White House Fellow detailed to the Office of the U. S. Trade Representative 1990-1991. Elected as a Republican to the One Hundred Fourth Congress and began serving January 3, 1995. Not a candidate for reelection to the United States House of Representatives in 1996, but was elected to the United States Senate in a special election on November 5, 1996, to the unexpired portion of the term ending January 3, 1999, left vacant by the resignation of Robert Dole. Resigned from the House of Representatives on November 27, 1996, retroactive to November 7, 1996, when his Senate service began. Reelected in 1998 and again in 2004, and served from November 7, 1996, to January 3, 2011. Was not a candidate for reelection to the Senate in 2010. Governor of Kansas 2011-2018.

### Legislative Activity (1996–2011)

**Bills sponsored:** 279

**Bills cosponsored:** 995

### Most Recent Sponsored Bills

Bill	Title	Status / Last Action
111 SCONRES 72	A concurrent resolution recognizing the 45th anniversary of the White House Fellows Program.	Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection. Updated Dec 15, 2010
111 SRES 694	A resolution condemning the Government of Iran for its state-sponsored persecution of religious minorities in Iran and its continued violation of the International Covenant on Human Rights.	Referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (text of measure as introduced: CR S8477-8478) Updated Dec 3, 2010
111 S 3974	Vietnam Human Rights Sanctions Act	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. Updated Nov 18, 2010
111 SCONRES 73	A concurrent resolution honoring the life of Dr. Ronald W. Walters and commending his life as an example to future generations of the people of the United States.	Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR S7840) Updated Sep 29, 2010
111 S 3904	High Plains Groundwater Resource Conservation Act	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry. Updated Sep 29, 2010

## Most Recent Cosponsored Bills

Bill	Title	Status / Last Action
111 S 841	Pedestrian Safety Enhancement Act of 2010	Became Public Law No: 111-373. Updated Jan 4, 2011
111 SCONRES 71	A concurrent resolution recognizing the United States national interest in helping to prevent and mitigate acts of genocide and other mass atrocities against civilians, and supporting and encouraging efforts to develop a whole of government approach to prevent and mitigate such acts.	Message on Senate action sent to the House. Updated Dec 23, 2010
111 SJRES 37	A joint resolution calling upon the President to issue a proclamation recognizing the 35th anniversary of the Helsinki Final Act.	Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 726. Updated Dec 21, 2010
111 S 3798	Foreign Prison Conditions Improvement Act of 2010	Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 724. Updated Dec 21, 2010
111 S 987	International Protecting Girls by Preventing Child Marriage Act of 2010	On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Failed by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 241 - Updated Dec 16, 2010