



Mr. Chris Bell

Party: Democratic • **Chamber:** House

State: TX • **District:** 25

Service: 2003–2005

Most recent Congress: 108

Biography

A Representative from Texas. Born in Texas, November 23, 1959. B. J. , University of Texas, Austin, Tex. , 1982. J. D. , South Texas University, Houston, Tex. , 1992. Journalist. Lawyer, private practice. Member, Houston, Tex. , city council, 1997-2001. Elected as a Democrat to the One Hundred Eighth Congress (January 3, 2003-January 3, 2005).

Unsuccessful candidate for renomination in 2004. Unsuccessful candidate for Governor of Texas in 2006. Unsuccessful candidate for nomination to the United States Senate in 2020.

Legislative Activity (2003–2005)

Bills sponsored: 10

Bills cosponsored: 348

Most Recent Sponsored Bills

Bill	Title	Status / Last Action
108 HR 5138	Fair Credit Card Interest Rate Act	Referred to the Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit. Updated Oct 7, 2004
108 HR 5043	Minimum Wage Indexation Act of 2004	Referred to the Subcommittee on Workforce Protections. Updated Sep 30, 2004
108 HRES 640	Of inquiry requesting that the Secretary of Defense transmit to the House of Representatives before the expiration of the 14-day period beginning on the date of the adoption of this resolution any picture, photograph, video, communication, or report produced in conjunction with any completed Department of Defense investigation conducted by Major General Antonio M. Taguba relating to allegations of torture or allegations of violations of the Geneva Conventions of 1949 at Abu Ghraib prison in Iraq or any completed Department of Defense investigation relating to the abuse or alleged abuse of a prisoner of war or detainee by any civilian contractor working in Iraq who is employed on behalf of the Department of Defense.	Placed on the House Calendar, Calendar No. 188. Updated Jun 16, 2004
108 HRES 659	Recognizing the need for consistent information, regulations, and guidelines regarding the safe disposal of used syringes outside medical facilities.	Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. Updated Jun 7, 2004
108 HRES 515	Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that Congress and the States should act to end racial profiling.	Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security. Updated Mar 1, 2004

Most Recent Cosponsored Bills

Bill	Title	Status / Last Action
108 HR 4116	American Bald Eagle Recovery and National Emblem Commemorative Coin Act	Became Public Law No: 108-486. Updated Dec 23, 2004
108 HR 3818	Microenterprise Results and Accountability Act of 2004	Became Public Law No: 108-484. Updated Dec 23, 2004
108 HR 4829	To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 103 East Kleberg in Kingsville, Texas, as the "Irma Rangel Post Office Building".	Became Public Law No: 108-478. Updated Dec 21, 2004
108 HR 4232	To redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4025 Feather Lakes Way in Kingwood, Texas, as the "Congressman Jack Fields Post Office".	Became Public Law No: 108-468. Updated Dec 21, 2004
108 HR 2180	Safe Highways and Infrastructure Preservation Act	Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H10928) Updated Dec 7, 2004