Mr. Robert Menendez

Party: Democratic • **Chamber:** Senate
State: NJ
Service: 1993–2024
Most recent Congress: 118

Biography

A Senator and a Representative from New Jersey. Born in New York, N. Y. , on January 1, 1954. Graduated from Union Hill High School, Union City, N. J. , 1972. B. A. , Saint Peter's College, Jersey City, N. J. , 1976. J. D. , Rutgers University School of Law, Newark, N. J. , 1979. Lawyer, private practice. Member of the Union City, N. J. , board of education 1974-1978, and chief financial officer 1978-1982. Mayor of Union City, N. J. , 1986-1992. Member of the New Jersey state general assembly 1987-1991. Member of the New Jersey state senate 1991-1993. Elected as a Democrat to the One Hundred Third and to the six succeeding Congresses, and served from January 3, 1993, to January 16, 2006, when he resigned to become a U. S. Senator. Chair, House Democratic Caucus (One Hundred Eighth through One Hundred Ninth Congresses). Appointed on January 17, 2006, to the United States Senate to fill vacancy caused by resignation of Jon S. Corzine. Service began on January 17, 2006, and took the oath of office on January 18, 2006. Elected to the U. S. Senate in 2006 for the term commencing January 3, 2007. Reelected in 2012, and again in 2018, and served from January 17, 2006, until his resignation on August 20, 2024. Indicted by a federal grand jury in 2015 on charges of bribery, conspiracy, and false statements. The subsequent trial ended in a hung jury and the Justice Department subsequently dropped all charges. Indicted in 2023 on separate charges of conspiracy to commit bribery, fraud, extortion, and failing to register as a foreign agent. Later charged with obstruction of justice, and was convicted in 2024 on multiple felony counts. Subsequently resigned from the Senate on August 20, 2024, and was sentenced in January 2025 to 11 years in prison. Chair, Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee (2008-2011), Committee on Foreign Relations (One Hundred Thirteenth Congress [February 1, 2013-January 3, 2015], One Hundred Seventeenth and One Hundred Eighteenth Congresses [January 3, 2021-September 27, 2023]).

Legislative Activity (1993–2024)

Bills sponsored: 1186
Bills cosponsored: 4315

Most Recent Sponsored Bills

Bill	Title	Status / Last Action
118 S 920	International Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2024	Held at the desk. Updated Dec 16, 2024
118 S 288	End Tuberculosis Now Act of 2024	Held at the desk. Updated Sep 23, 2024
118 S 2336	MISSILES Act	Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 372. Updated May 7, 2024
118 S 1331	PSLF Payment Completion Fairness Act	Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Subcommittee on Economic Policy. Hearings held. Updated Apr 10, 2024
118 SRES 606	A resolution to recognize the 203rd anniversary of the independence of Greece and celebrating democracy in Greece and the United States.	Referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. Updated Mar 21, 2024

Most Recent Cosponsored Bills

Bill	Title	Status / Last Action
118 S 91	Forgotten Heroes of the Holocaust Congressional Gold Medal Act	Became Public Law No: 118-149. Updated Dec 12, 2024
118 S 133	NAPA Reauthorization Act	Became Public Law No: 118-92. Updated Oct 1, 2024
118 S 134	Alzheimer’s Accountability and Investment Act	Became Public Law No: 118-93. Updated Oct 1, 2024
118 S 2861	Billie Jean King Congressional Gold Medal Act	Became Public Law No: 118-88. Updated Sep 26, 2024
118 S 4445	Right to IVF Act	Upon reconsideration, cloture on the motion to proceed to the measure not invoked in Senate by Yea-N Updated Sep 17, 2024