



Mr. Mel Martinez

Party: Republican • **Chamber:** Senate

State: FL

Service: 2005–2009

Most recent Congress: 111

Biography

A Senator from Florida. Born in Sagua La Grande, Cuba, on October 23, 1946. Immigrated to the United States in 1962. Lived with foster families until reunited with his family in Orlando, Fla. , in 1966. J. D. , College of Law, Florida State University 1973. Practiced law in Orlando, Fla. , for twenty-five years. Secretary, Department of Housing and Urban Development 2001-2005. Elected as a Republican to the U. S. Senate in 2004 and served from January 3, 2005, until his resignation on September 9, 2009.

Legislative Activity (2005–2009)

Bills sponsored: 72

Bills cosponsored: 565

Most Recent Sponsored Bills

Bill	Title	Status / Last Action
111 S 1555	Office of the National Alzheimer's Project Act	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. Updated Jul 31, 2009
111 S 1485	National Hurricane Research Initiative Act of 2009	Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Hearings held. Updated Jul 28, 2009
111 S 1401	A bill to provide for the award of a gold medal on behalf of Congress to Arnold Palmer in recognition of his service to the Nation in promoting excellence and good sportsmanship in golf.	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. Updated Jul 7, 2009
111 S 1364	Hurricane and Tornado Mitigation Investment Act of 2009	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. Updated Jun 25, 2009
111 S 1363	Nonadmitted and Reinsurance Reform Act of 2009	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. Updated Jun 25, 2009

Most Recent Cosponsored Bills

Bill	Title	Status / Last Action
111 S 951	New Frontier Congressional Gold Medal Act	Message received in the Senate: Returned to the Senate pursuant to the provisions of H.Res. 1653. Updated Sep 23, 2010
111 S 1023	Travel Promotion Act of 2009	Message received in the Senate: Returned to the Senate pursuant to the provisions of H.Res. 1653. Updated Sep 23, 2010
111 SRES 71	A resolution condemning the Government of Iran for its state-sponsored persecution of the Baha'i minority in Iran and its continued violation of the International Covenants on Human Rights.	Resolution agreed to in Senate with an amendment and an amended preamble by Unanimous Consent. (text Updated Dec 1, 2009
111 S 526	Lieutenant Colonel Dominic "Rocky" Baragona Justice for American Heroes Harmed by Contractors Act	Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Subcommittee on Contracting Oversight. Heari Updated Nov 18, 2009
111 S 475	Military Spouses Residency Relief Act	Became Public Law No: 111-97. Updated Nov 11, 2009