



## Mr. Barack Obama

**Party:** Democratic • **Chamber:** Senate

**State:** IL

**Service:** 2005–2008

**Most recent Congress:** 110

### Biography

A Senator from Illinois and 44th President of the United States. Born in Honolulu, Hawaii, August 4, 1961. Obtained early education in Jakarta, Indonesia, and Hawaii. Continued education at Occidental College, Los Angeles, Calif. Received a B. A. in 1983 from Columbia University, New York City. Worked as a community organizer in Chicago, Ill. Studied law at Harvard University, where he became the first African American president of the Harvard Law Review, and received J. D. in 1991. Lecturer on constitutional law, University of Chicago. Member, Illinois State senate 1997-2004. Elected as a Democrat to the U. S. Senate in 2004, and served from January 3, 2005, to November 16, 2008, when he resigned from office, having been elected president. Elected as the 44th President of the United States on November 4, 2008, and was inaugurated on January 20, 2009. Reelected in 2012 and served until January 20, 2017.

### Legislative Activity (2005–2008)

**Bills sponsored:** 137

**Bills cosponsored:** 688

### Most Recent Sponsored Bills

| Bill           | Title  | Status / Last Action   |
|----------------|--|--|
| 110 S 906      | Mercury Export Ban Act of 2008   | Became Public Law No: 110-414.<br>Updated Oct 14, 2008   |
| 110 SCONRES 96 | A concurrent resolution commemorating Irena Sendler, a woman whose bravery saved the lives of thousands during the Holocaust and remembering her legacy of courage, selflessness, and hope.  | Held at the desk.<br>Updated Sep 23, 2008  |
| 110 S 3506     | A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the credit for purchase of vehicles fueled by natural gas or liquefied natural gas and to amend the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users to reauthorize the Clean School Bus Program of the Environmental Protection Agency. | Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.<br>Updated Sep 17, 2008   |
| 110 S 3358     | Improving Food-borne Illness Surveillance and Response Act of 2008   | Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.<br>Updated Jul 29, 2008                  |
| 110 SRES 628   | A resolution expressing support for the designation of Disability Pride Day and recognizing that all people, including people living with disabilities, have the right, responsibility, and ability to be active, contributing members of society and fully engaged as citizens of the United States.                                      | Referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (text of measure as introduced:<br>Updated Jul 25, 2008 |

## Most Recent Cosponsored Bills

| Bill       | Title   | Status / Last Action   |
|------------|---|--|
| 110 S 2136 | Helping Families Save Their Homes in Bankruptcy Act of 2008 | Committee on the Judiciary. Hearings held.<br>Updated Nov 19, 2008 |
| 110 S 1276 | Methamphetamine Production Prevention Act of 2008           | Became Public Law No: 110-415.<br>Updated Oct 14, 2008             |
| 110 S 431  | KIDS Act of 2008  | Became Public Law No: 110-400.<br>Updated Oct 13, 2008             |
| 110 S 1738 | PROTECT Our Children Act of 2008                            | Became Public Law No: 110-401.<br>Updated Oct 13, 2008             |
| 110 S 1492 | Broadband Data Improvement Act                              | Became Public Law No: 110-385.<br>Updated Oct 10, 2008             |