



Jim Talent

Party: Republican • **Chamber:** Senate

State: MO

Service: 1993–2007

Most recent Congress: 109

Biography

A Representative and a Senator from Missouri. Born in St. Louis, Mo. , October 18, 1956. B. A. , Washington University 1978. J. D. , University of Chicago School of Law 1981. Law clerk to Judge Richard A. Posner, United States Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit 1982-1983. Adjunct professor, Washington University School of Law 1984-1986. State house of representatives 1985-1993. Elected as a Republican to the One Hundred Third and three succeeding Congresses (January 3, 1993-January 3, 2001). Chairman, Committee on Small Business (One Hundred Fifth and One Hundred Sixth Congresses). Was not a candidate for reelection to the United States House of Representatives in 2000. Unsuccessful candidate for Governor in 2000. Elected to the U. S. Senate in the November 5, 2002, special election to the term ending January 3, 2007, a seat previously held by appointed Senator Jean Carnahan, and took office on November 23, 2002. Unsuccessful candidate for reelection in 2006.

Legislative Activity (1993–2007)

Bills sponsored: 89

Bills cosponsored: 370

Most Recent Sponsored Bills

| Bill | Title | Status / Last Action |
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| 109 S 1378 | National Historic Preservation Act Amendments Act of 2006 | Became Public Law No: 109-453. Updated Dec 22, 2006 |
| 109 S 4073 | A bill to designate the outpatient clinic of the Department of Veterans Affairs located in Farmington, Missouri, as the "Robert Silvey Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic". | Became Public Law No: 109-414. Updated Dec 18, 2006 |
| 109 S 3862 | A bill to amend the Animal Health Protection Act to prohibit the Secretary of Agriculture from implementing or carrying out a National Animal Identification System or similar requirement, to prohibit the use of Federal funds to carry out such a requirement, and to require the Secretary to protect information obtained as part of any voluntary animal identification system. | Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry. Updated Sep 7, 2006 |
| 109 S 3817 | Match Act of 2006 | Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. Updated Aug 3, 2006 |
| 109 S 2679 | Unsolved Civil Rights Crime Act | Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 579. Updated Aug 3, 2006 |

Most Recent Cosponsored Bills

| Bill | Title | Status / Last Action |
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| 109 S 707 | PREEMIE Act | Became Public Law No: 109-450. Updated Dec 22, 2006 |
| 109 S 2653 | Call Home Act of 2006 | Became Public Law No: 109-459. Updated Dec 22, 2006 |
| 109 S 2370 | Palestinian Anti-Terrorism Act of 2006 | Became Public Law No: 109-446. Updated Dec 21, 2006 |
| 109 S 843 | Combating Autism Act of 2006 | Became Public Law No: 109-416. Updated Dec 19, 2006 |
| 109 SCONRES 91 | A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that the President should posthumously award the Presidential Medal of Freedom to Leroy Robert "Satchel" Paige. | Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection. Updated Dec 6, 2006 |