



W. J. Tauzin

Party: Republican • **Chamber:** House

State: LA • **District:** 3

Service: 1979–2005

Most recent Congress: 108

Biography

A Representative from Louisiana. Born in Chackbay, Lafourche Parish, La. , June 14, 1943. B. A. , Nicholls State University, Thibodaux, La. , 1964. J. D. , Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, La. , 1967. Legislative aide, Louisiana senate, 1963-1967. Admitted to the Louisiana bar, 1967. Member of the Louisiana house of representatives, 1972-1980. Elected as a Democrat, by special election to the Ninety-sixth Congress to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of United States Representative David C. Treen, and reelected to the eight succeeding Congresses, changed party affiliation from a Democrat to a Republican on August 8, 1995. Elected as a Republican to the One Hundred Fifth and to the three succeeding Congresses (May 22, 1980- January 3, 2005). Not a candidate for reelection to the One Hundred Ninth Congress in 2004. Chair, Committee on Energy and Commerce (One Hundred Seventh and One Hundred Eighth Congresses).

Legislative Activity (1979–2005)

Bills sponsored: 41

Bills cosponsored: 191

Most Recent Sponsored Bills

Bill	Title	Status / Last Action
108 HR 5348	Atchafalaya National Heritage Area Act	Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Recreation and Public Lands. Updated Nov 8, 2004
108 HR 4168	Individual Tax Freedom Act of 2004	Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period Updated Apr 2, 2004
108 HR 3969	Foreign Government Ownership Act of 2004	Referred to the Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet. Updated Mar 30, 2004
108 HR 6	Energy Policy Act of 2003	Motion by Senator Frist to reconsider the vote by which cloture on the conference report to accompa Updated Nov 21, 2003
108 HR 3288	To amend title XXI of the Social Security Act to make technical corrections with respect to the definition of qualifying State.	Became Public Law No: 108-127. Updated Nov 17, 2003

Most Recent Cosponsored Bills

Bill	Title	Status / Last Action
108 HR 3734	To designate the Federal building located at Fifth and Richardson Avenues in Roswell, New Mexico, as the "Joe Skeen Federal Building".	Became Public Law No: 108-466. Updated Dec 21, 2004
108 HCONRES 110	Recognizing the sequencing of the human genome as one of the most significant scientific accomplishments of the past one hundred years and expressing support for the goals and ideals of Human Genome Month and DNA Day.	Message on Senate action sent to the House. Updated Nov 20, 2004
108 HR 4470	To amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to extend the authorization of appropriations for the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program from fiscal year 2005 to 2010.	Received in the Senate. Updated Oct 8, 2004
108 HR 5211	New Shipper Review Amendment Act of 2004	Referred to the Subcommittee on Trade. Updated Oct 8, 2004
108 HR 775	SAFE for America Act	Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 464. Updated Oct 6, 2004