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Party: Democratic • **Chamber:** Senate

State: RI

Service: 2007–2025 (including current term)

Most recent Congress: 119

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Biography

A Senator from Rhode Island. Born in Manhattan, N. Y. , October 20, 1955. Graduated Yale University 1978. J. D. , University of Virginia 1982. Director, Rhode Island Department of Business Regulation 1992-1994. United States attorney 1994-1998. Rhode Island State attorney general 1999-2003. Unsuccessful candidate for governor 2002. Elected as a Democrat to the United States Senate in 2006 for the term commencing January 3, 2007. Reelected in 2012, 2018, and again in 2024 for the term ending January 3, 2031. Chair, Committee on the Budget (One Hundred Eighteenth Congress).

Committee Memberships (Congress 119)

- Budget Committee – Standing **Member**
- Clean Air and Nuclear Safety Subcommittee – Subcommittee **Ex Officio**
- Constitution Subcommittee – Subcommittee **Member**
- Environment and Public Works Committee – Standing **Ranking**
- Federal Courts, Oversight, Agency Action, and Federal Rights Subcommittee – Subcommittee **Ranking**
- Finance Committee – Standing **Member**
- Fisheries, Water, and Wildlife Subcommittee – Subcommittee **Ex Officio**
- Health Care Subcommittee – Subcommittee **Member**
- Immigration, Citizenship, and Border Safety Subcommittee – Subcommittee **Member**
- Intellectual Property Subcommittee – Subcommittee **Member**
- International Trade, Customs, and Global Competitiveness Subcommittee – Subcommittee **Member**
- Judiciary Committee – Standing **Member**
- Superfund, Waste Management, and Regulatory Oversight Subcommittee – Subcommittee **Ex Officio**
- Taxation and IRS Oversight Subcommittee – Subcommittee **Member**
- Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee – Subcommittee **Ex Officio**

Legislative Activity (2007–2025)

Bills sponsored: 470

Bills cosponsored: 4189

Most Recent Sponsored Bills

Bill	Title	Status / Last Action
119 SRES 600	A resolution recognizing January 2026 as "National Mentoring Month".	Submitted in the Senate, considered, and agreed to without amendment and with a preamble by Unanimou Updated Feb 5, 2026
119 SJRES 106	A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Environmental Protection Agency relating to "Effluent Limitations Guidelines and Standards for the Steam Electric Power Generating Point Source Category-Deadline Extensions".	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works. Updated Feb 4, 2026
119 S 3762	Prior Authorization Relief Act	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. Updated Feb 3, 2026
119 S 3721	Empowering States' Rights To Protect Consumers Act of 2026	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. Updated Jan 29, 2026
119 S 3599	Affordable CHOICE Act	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. Updated Jan 8, 2026

Most Recent Cosponsored Bills

Bill	Title	Status / Last Action
119 S 1552	Living Donor Protection Act of 2025	Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the Updated Feb 26, 2026
119 S 3948	A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to codify the Direct File program.	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. Updated Feb 26, 2026
119 S 3938	A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to authorize representatives of veterans service organizations to participate in presentations to promote certain benefits available to veterans during preseparation counseling under the Transition Assistance Program of the Department of Defense, and for other purposes.	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Updated Feb 26, 2026
119 SRES 617	A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of "Career and Technical Education Month".	Submitted in the Senate, considered, and agreed to without amendment and with a preamble by Unanimou Updated Feb 26, 2026
119 S 3925	A bill to establish the Julius Rosenwald and Rosenwald Schools National Historical Park, and for other purposes.	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Updated Feb 25, 2026