CQ Federal

Powerful, intelligent tools to help policy professionals track and understand bills in Congress.

Be the first to know about federal legislation

Things change fast, and you need to know the moment your bills get updates (or new bills are on the way). CQ Federal delivers, both in email and via the app, ensuring you are always the first to know.

The updates you need (not the noise you don’t)

Wading through irrelevant information wastes time. Our precision alerts are the biggest reason clients switch to us – we deliver the exact legislative updates you’re after, making sure you never miss a thing while sparing you the inbox deluge.

Powerful reports so you can make sense of it all

Do you need to compare two versions of a bill? Report on the voting history of a member? Deliver a summary of key bill facts? CQ Federal helps you do all of these and more with our popular report-generating tools.

Save time with advanced search tools

The federal government produces thousands of documents, but you only need to find the ones that matter to you. Our tools help you quickly find exactly what you need, saving you hours of time.
Amendment Text
Get a firsthand look at amendments to the bills you care about, including draft bills, often before they’ve been acted on in committee or on the floor. Search by bill number, date, committee, or sponsor, and set alerts to get automatic notifications whenever there’s new movement.

Archives
The CQ Archives are the repository of all the content we made available online up to the 104th Congress. The archives contain: CQ BillTrack, CQ BillWatch, and CRS Bill Digest (back to the 99th, 104th, and 101st Congresses respectively), Bill Text and Congressional Record (100th-104th Congress), CQ Committee Coverage, Committee Reports, and Transcripts (101st-104th Congress), CQ Monitor News (99th-104th Congress), CQ Floor Votes (98th-104th Congress), Federal Register (1990-1998).

Bill Analysis
Receive expert summaries and analysis of major bills before Congress, including background information, state of play, and prospects for passage. The CQ Bill Analysis dashboard gives you vital information on any bill with just a few clicks. We maintain an archive of bill analysis reports dating back to the 104th Congress (1995).

Bill Text
Every bill, fully searchable and alertable by keyword, chamber, sponsor and co-sponsor, and more. With CQ Bill Text, you can quickly find the language you need from a House or Senate bill. Stay up-to-date on newly introduced legislation and language and quickly identify the bills that relate to your interests. Bill Text links to a full PDF from the U.S. Government Printing Office website.

Bill Track
Follow bills in real time as they travel through Congress. CQ Bill Track is searchable and alertable by keyword, bill number, committee, subcommittee, sponsor, co-sponsor, chamber, legislative stage, appropriations bill, and more. An archive of content is available back to the 99th Congress (1985).

Committee Coverage
Coverage of key committee and subcommittee markups, delivered within 24 hours. Our markups include an easy-to-scan summary, links to important amendments, and full vote breakdowns. All content is searchable and alertable with an archive dating back to the 101st Congress (1989).

Committee Reports
The full text of every committee report, searchable by keyword and bill number, and organized by the full text, outline, and sections with keywords. This service works in tandem with Committee Coverage.

Congressional Record
The official record of the proceedings and debates of Congress, meticulously edited to ensure it matches the print edition. Updated daily and searchable by 9 a.m. Also includes an easy-to-use abstract of the daily Congressional Record, which is available by mid-afternoon the day the Congressional Record is published. This feature allows users to browse legislative action, new legislation introduced, reports filed, speeches made and various other procedural steps for both the House and Senate. Includes links to BillTrack, Member Profiles, Floor Votes and Congressional Record text.

CRS Bill Digest
Detailed synopses of legislation, with links to related news, analysis and source material, prepared by the Congressional Research Service of the Library of Congress. Updated as material becomes available.

CRS Reports
With nearly 50,000 unique reports in our database, and every CRS report since 1993, we are the most comprehensive source for the reports published by the Congressional Research Service for members of Congress and their staff. Our database is full-text searchable and alertable, with a digital archive dating back to the 95th Congress (1977).

Custom Bill Analysis
Can’t find analysis for a particular bill? CQ Federal users can make up to six custom requests per year to have our policy experts analyze legislation, with 2-3 business day turnaround.

CQ House
Originally designed for exclusive use by the House of Representatives, CQ House delivers five distinct, analytical reports that are easily searchable and alertable, ensuring you receive exactly what you want from the House floor in real time. Our veteran team provides comprehensive analysis of every measure considered on the House floor, along with anticipated amendments, floor summaries, and fact sheets for major legislation.
CQ Senate
CQ Senate delivers legislative news and in-depth schedule information directly from the Senate floor. Our analysts offer twice-daily takes and curated updates on activity unfolding in the Senate, which you can access through custom email alerts and the CQ Senate newsletter. Our forward-looking analysis will help you stay on top of upcoming legislation and help you better gauge the odds of a bill’s passage.

Custom Document Request
Can’t find a special government document in our database? Use our “Request a Document” feature to have a member of our staff track down recently released documents that aren’t yet listed.

Federal Register
With more than 480,000 documents available, the Federal Register is the official daily publication for the rules, regulations, proposed rules and notices of federal agencies, as well as executive orders, proclamations, and other presidential documents. All Federal Register documents dating back to 1997 are published in full text and are searchable and alertable by keyword, date, agency name, and item type.

Floor Video
When a member important to you speaks, we make it easier than ever to find and replay the footage. CQ Floor Video provides searchable, streaming, gavel-to-gavel video coverage of the House and Senate floor, so you’ll never miss a single word. Fully searchable back to the 108th Congress (January 2003), Floor Video includes a Day View feature that allows you to quickly see an entire day on the floor, including the members who spoke and the policy topics that received the most attention. You can also email direct links to streaming video to colleagues and stakeholders.

Floor Votes
CQ Floor Votes tracks how every member voted on the House and Senate floors since the 102nd Congress (1991). We include an overview of each vote, the vote count, and the final outcome, including members who abstained. Votes are published on the site within two hours of each vote. The database is searchable and alertable by keyword, bill number, member, subject, vote number and more.

Hot Docs
Updated daily, Hot Docs is the most comprehensive collection of government source documents available, including draft bill text, agency documents, press releases, “Dear Colleague” letters, OMB, CBO and GAO documents, and other hard-to-find government reports. The database is searchable and alertable by keyword, bill number, member, committee, subcommittee, document type, issuing agency, and more, with a robust content archive dating back to the 104th Congress (1995).

Law Track
Law Track helps you quickly identify how pending bills would change current laws. You won’t have to comb through hundreds of pages of text to find the legislative impact — Law Track does it for you, linking the text of a given bill to the exact section of U.S. Code it would modify, saving you hours of work. You can create custom email alerts that serve as an early warning system, notifying you as soon as bills are introduced that would affect the laws you monitor.

Member Profiles
CQ Member Profiles is a searchable reference database for every member of Congress, including an archive of former members dating back to the 104th Congress (1995). This database contains detailed staff, state and district information, comprehensive member biographies, full direct contact information, voting records and electoral histories, committee assignments, legislative priorities, speeches, interest group ratings, and positions on key issues and legislation. Member Profiles also provides government contract data, grant information, and major public and private employers, all organized by district and state.
More people choose CQ Federal than any other product for good reason. If you need to know what’s happening, and you don’t have time to waste, you need CQ Federal.

With CQ Federal, you can:

- **Stay up to date**: Our alerts pick up not just bill text, but any mention of your issue across any content that you subscribe to, ensuring you are always the first to know.

- **Take your work to go**: The CQ app contains all the most important features you need for those times when work takes you out of the office.

- **Find what you want fast**: CQ’s advanced search tools help you narrow down your search from hours to minutes.

- **Keep your inbox clean**: There’s nothing more frustrating than an alert that doesn’t actually pertain to your issues. CQ Federal has the most precise alerts available, so you know that every notification is important.

- **Track more**: We know that you need a wide range of data sources in order to stay on top of every aspect of your issues. That’s why we include more content than anyone else.

- **Collaborate more effectively**: With tools for creating shared folders of information, and the ability to tag and comment on documents, you can work with your team quickly and efficiently.

- **Create professional reports in minutes**: Fully customizable for you, reports can contain CQ data or your own custom-built information.

- **Stay on top of best practices**: Our team of education managers are always available to train new staff, answer questions, and help you develop your workflow to get the most out of your subscription.

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