

TITLE 2 - THE CONGRESS

CHAPTER 2 - ORGANIZATION OF CONGRESS

§ 30b. Notice of objecting to proceeding

(a) In general

The Majority and Minority Leaders of the Senate or their designees shall recognize a notice of intent of a Senator who is a member of their caucus to object to proceeding to a measure or matter only if the Senator—

- (1) following the objection to a unanimous consent to proceeding to, and, or passage of, a measure or matter on their behalf, submits the notice of intent in writing to the appropriate leader or their designee; and
- (2) not later than 6 session days after the submission under paragraph (1), submits for inclusion in the Congressional Record and in the applicable calendar section described in subsection (b) the following notice:

“I, Senator XXXX, intend to object to proceedings to XXXX, dated XXXX for the following reasons XXXX.”.

(b) Calendar

(1) In general

The Secretary of the Senate shall establish for both the Senate Calendar of Business and the Senate Executive Calendar a separate section entitled “Notice of Intent to Object to Proceeding”.

(2) Content

The section required by paragraph (1) shall include—

- (A) the name of each Senator filing a notice under subsection (a)(2);
- (B) the measure or matter covered by the calendar that the Senator objects to; and
- (C) the date the objection was filed.

(3) Notice

A Senator who has notified their respective leader and who has withdrawn their objection within the 6 session day period is not required to submit a notification under subsection (a)(2).

(c) Removal

A Senator may have an item with respect to the Senator removed from a calendar to which it was added under subsection (b) by submitting for inclusion in the Congressional Record the following notice:

“I, Senator XXXX, do not object to proceed to XXXX, dated XXXX.”.

(Pub. L. 110–81, title V, § 512, Sept. 14, 2007, 121 Stat. 759.)

Effective Date

Pub. L. 110–81, title V, § 556, Sept. 14, 2007, 121 Stat. 774, provided that: “Except as otherwise provided in this title [enacting this section, sections 31–3, 72a–1h, 72a–1i, 104f, and 104g of this title, and provisions set out as notes under this section and section 31–3 of this title], this title shall take effect on the date of enactment of this title [Sept. 14, 2007].”

Exercise of Rulemaking Powers

Pub. L. 110–81, title V, § 555, Sept. 14, 2007, 121 Stat. 774, provided that: “The Senate adopts the provisions of this title [see Effective Date note above]—

“(1) as an exercise of the rulemaking power of the Senate; and

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“(2) with full recognition of the constitutional right of the Senate to change those rules at any time, in the same manner, and to the same extent as in the case of any other rule of the Senate.”