

**FCC Commissioners' Technical Resource Enhancement Act  
(Introduced in Senate)**

S 2881 IS

111th CONGRESS  
1st Session  
**S. 2881**

To provide greater technical resources to FCC Commissioners.

**IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES**

**December 14, 2009**

Ms. SNOWE (for herself and Mr. WARNER) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

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**A BILL**

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*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

**SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

This Act may be cited as the 'FCC Commissioners' Technical Resource Enhancement Act'.

**SEC. 2. APPOINTMENT OF TECHNICAL STAFF.**

Section 4(f)(2) of the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 154(f)(2)) is amended by inserting after the first sentence the following new sentence: ' Each commissioner may also appoint an electrical engineer or computer scientist to provide the commissioner technical consultation when appropriate and to interface with the Office of Engineering and Technology, Commission Bureaus, and other technical staff of the Commission for additional technical input and resources, provided that such engineer or scientist holds an undergraduate or graduate degree from an institution of higher education in their respective field of expertise.'.