

SENATE BILL NO. 433  
INTRODUCED BY WILLIAMS

IN THE SENATE

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| FEBRUARY 15, 1989 | INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE<br>ON JUDICIARY. |
|                   | FIRST READING.                                        |
| FEBRUARY 17, 1989 | COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL<br>DO PASS. REPORT ADOPTED.  |
| FEBRUARY 18, 1989 | PRINTING REPORT.                                      |
| FEBRUARY 20, 1989 | SECOND READING, DO PASS.                              |
|                   | ENGROSSING REPORT.                                    |
| FEBRUARY 21, 1989 | THIRD READING, PASSED.<br>AYES, 50; NOES, 0.          |
|                   | TRANSMITTED TO HOUSE.                                 |

IN THE HOUSE

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| FEBRUARY 21, 1989 | INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE<br>ON JUDICIARY.        |
| FEBRUARY 28, 1989 | FIRST READING.                                               |
| MARCH 22, 1989    | COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL BE<br>CONCURRED IN. REPORT ADOPTED. |
| MARCH 28, 1989    | SECOND READING, CONCURRED IN.                                |
| MARCH 29, 1989    | THIRD READING, CONCURRED IN.<br>AYES, 95; NOES, 0.           |
|                   | RETURNED TO SENATE.                                          |

MARCH 29, 1989

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RECEIVED FROM HOUSE.

SENT TO ENROLLING.

REPORTED CORRECTLY ENROLLED.

1 *Sen. Bill* BILL NO. *433*  
2 INTRODUCED BY *W. L. H.*  
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14 Reciprocal Enforcement of Support Act of 1968 (URESA), while  
15 valuable in many instances, sometimes causes delay in  
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