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# S. 1768

To permit the televising of Supreme Court proceedings.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 26, 2005

Mr. SPECTER (for himself, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. SCHUMER, and Mr. FEINGOLD) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## A BILL

To permit the televising of Supreme Court proceedings.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

### 3 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT TO TITLE 28.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 45 of title 28, United  
5 States Code, is amended by inserting at the end the fol-  
6 lowing:

### 7 **“§ 678. Televising Supreme Court proceedings**

8 “The Supreme Court shall permit television coverage  
9 of all open sessions of the Court unless the Court decides,  
10 by a vote of the majority of justices, that allowing such  
11 coverage in a particular case would constitute a violation

1 of the due process rights of 1 or more of the parties before  
2 the Court.”.

3 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The chapter analysis  
4 for chapter 45 of title 28, United States Code, is amended  
5 by inserting at the end the following:

“678. Televising Supreme Court proceedings.”.

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