

# Dick Durbin

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And the banks - hard to believe in a time when we're facing a banking crisis that many of the banks created - are still the most powerful lobby on Capitol Hill. And they frankly own the place.

~Dick Durbin

It simply isn't fair for senators to cut to the front of the line when seniors around the country have been forced to wait for hours to get a flu shot.

~Dick Durbin

Millions of Americans take vitamins safely every day, including me. Vitamins and mineral supplements taken in recommended doses are safe. It's the designer supplements that are worrisome.

~Dick Durbin

We can't do much about ensuring that the homeland is safe if our local police and sheriffs' departments don't have the personnel they need to keep our streets and neighborhoods secure.

~Dick Durbin

It is unacceptable that disabled veterans in Illinois rank at the bottom of the list when it comes to disability pay. We owe our disabled veterans more than speeches, parades and monuments.

~Dick Durbin

We will have health care reform in America.

~Dick Durbin

There is no room for legal hair-splitting when it comes to the humane treatment of detainees - not in a nation founded on the rule of law and respect for human rights.

~Dick Durbin

We have 11 million people in this country that need a pathway to citizenship.

~Dick Durbin

Our party is a diverse one, as is my home state of Illinois.

~Dick Durbin

You know, the purpose of reconciliation is to avoid the filibuster. The filibuster is an effort to talk something to death.

~Dick Durbin

We all join the President in applauding the sacrifices made by our brave men and women in uniform. But we must continue to provide them the tools they need to accomplish the difficult tasks they face.

~Dick Durbin

Unfortunately the Republican tax cut will deny important revenues to many states facing their own deficits. This will create greater pressure for higher state and local taxes.

~Dick Durbin

Let me tell you, the first president to recognize the state of Israel was Harry Truman, a Democrat. And every president since, Democrat and Republican, have stood closely with Israel.

~Dick Durbin

Hard to imagine 40 years ago people could be convicted of a crime, fined, sent to prison for using the most common forms of birth control.

~Dick Durbin

The Supreme Court is the last refuge in America for our rights and liberties.

~Dick Durbin

Giving a veteran a flag is not a substitute for giving our vets the quality health care they were promised

~Dick Durbin

Our timing is right... The election results are still fresh in the minds of my Republican colleagues and they don't want to go through this again.

~Dick Durbin

I hope that Republicans in the House and Mr. Cantor will embrace that as part of immigration reform.

~Dick Durbin

In going too far, they [presidents] have taken away the individual rights of American citizens.

~Dick Durbin

Judge Samuel Alito, millions of Americans are concerned about your nomination. They're worried that you would be a judicial activist who would restrict our rights and freedoms.

~Dick Durbin

Under unitary executive theory, the [George W.]Bush administration has claimed the right to seize American citizens in the United States and imprison them indefinitely without a charge.

~Dick Durbin

As a government lawyer, Samuel Alito wrote that he personally believe very strongly the Constitution does not protect the right to an abortion.

~Dick Durbin

Justice [Sandra Day] O'Connor has been the critical decisive vote on many issues that go to the heart of who we are as a nation.

~Dick Durbin

If you're not comfortable with delay, frustration and impatience, get out

of the Senate. It's the nature of the institution, but I think we've taken it to an art form.

~Dick Durbin

God is not a franchise of the Republican Party.

~Dick Durbin

The last stop to protect rights and liberties is the Supreme Court.

~Dick Durbin

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