

HR 3340

To amend title 5, United States Code, to allow certain catch-up contributions to the Thrift Savings Plan to be made by participants age 50 or over.

Congress: 107 (2001–2003, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Government Operations and Politics

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Morella, Constance A. [R-MD-8]

Party: Republican • **State:** MD • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (12 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Davis, Tom [R-VA-11]	R · VA		Dec 12, 2001
Rep. Moran, James P. [D-VA-8]	D · VA		Dec 12, 2001
Rep. Wynn, Albert Russell [D-MD-4]	D · MD		Dec 12, 2001
Rep. Waxman, Henry A. [D-CA-29]	D · CA		Jan 29, 2002
Rep. Carson, Julia [D-IN-10]	D · IN		Mar 12, 2002
Rep. Davis, Danny K. [D-IL-7]	D · IL		Mar 12, 2002
Rep. Kucinich, Dennis J. [D-OH-10]	D · OH		Mar 12, 2002
Rep. Tancredo, Thomas G. [R-CO-6]	R · CO		Mar 12, 2002
Rep. Platts, Todd Russell [R-PA-19]	R · PA		Mar 18, 2002
Rep. Udall, Tom [D-NM-3]	D · NM		Apr 22, 2002
Rep. Wilson, Heather [R-NM-1]	R · NM		Apr 22, 2002
Rep. Mica, John L. [R-FL-7]	R · FL		Jun 5, 2002

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Referred to	Nov 28, 2001

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
107 S 1822	Identical bill	Nov 19, 2002: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 770.
107 S 1821	Related bill	Dec 17, 2001: Committee on Governmental Affairs referred to Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation and Federal Services.
107 HR 3354	Related bill	Nov 29, 2001: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Civil Service and Agency Organization.

Summary (as of Oct 7, 2002)

(Sec. 1) Allows certain eligible participants in the Civil Service Retirement System and the Federal Employees Retirement System (FERS) to make such additional contributions to the Thrift Savings Plan as are permitted by: (1) provisions of the Internal Revenue Code pertaining to catch-up contributions to pension, profit-sharing, and/or stock bonus plans for individuals age 50 and over; and (2) consistent with regulations of the Executive Director of the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board. Applies such provisions with respect to justices and judges of the United States, bankruptcy and magistrate judges, Court of Federal Claims judges, judges of the United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims, and members of the uniformed services who are enrolled in FERS.

(Sec. 2) Amends the Whistleblower Protection Act of 1989 to authorize appropriations for FY 2003 through 2007 for the Merit Systems Protection Board (Board) and the Office of Special Counsel.

(Sec. 3) Repeals the requirement that the Special Counsel return any documents and other matter provided by a Federal employee, former employee, or applicant who made a disclosure of a violation of law or of waste, fraud, or abuse when the Special Counsel does not transmit the information to the head of the agency which the information concerns.

(Sec. 4) Deems any period of enrollment under a health benefits plan administered by the Overseas Private Investment Corporation before the effective date of this Act to be a period of enrollment in a Federal health benefits plan for purposes of the administration of Federal health benefits coverage. Allows any individual who, as of the enrollment eligibility date, is covered by a Corporation-administered plan to enroll in an approved Federal health benefits plan for continued coverage after such date, including individuals currently under a continued coverage period and unmarried dependent children. Defines "enrollment eligibility date" to mean the last day on which coverage under a health benefits plan administered by the Corporation is available.

Requires the: (1) Corporation to transfer to the Employees Health Benefits Fund amounts necessary for reimbursement for the costs of such continued coverage; and (2) Office of Personnel Management to provide for a period of notice and open enrollment for such coverage.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 27, 2002:** Signed by President.
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- **Nov 27, 2002:** Became Public Law No: 107-304.
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- **Nov 15, 2002:** Presented to President.
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- **Nov 14, 2002:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Nov 13, 2002:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S10959-10960)
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- **Oct 8, 2002:** Received in the Senate, read twice.
- **Oct 7, 2002:** Mrs. Morella moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Oct 7, 2002:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H7056-7058)
- **Oct 7, 2002:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 3340.
- **Oct 7, 2002:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **Oct 7, 2002:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H7130)
- **Oct 7, 2002:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 372 - 0 (Roll no. 442).(text: CR H7056-7057)
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- **Oct 7, 2002:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Oct 7, 2002:** The title of the measure was amended. Agreed to without objection.
- **Sep 25, 2002:** Reported by the Committee on Government Reform. H. Rept. 107-686.
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- **Sep 25, 2002:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 424.
- **Mar 14, 2002:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Mar 14, 2002:** Ordered to be Reported by Voice Vote.
- **Nov 28, 2001:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Civil Service and Agency Organization.
- **Nov 19, 2001:** Introduced in House
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- **Nov 19, 2001:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E2129-2130)
- **Nov 19, 2001:** Referred to the House Committee on Government Reform.