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HR 658

Accountant, Compliance, and Enforcement Staffing Act of 2003

Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Finance and Financial Sector

Introduced: Feb 11, 2003

Current Status: Became Public Law No: 108-44.

Latest Action: Became Public Law No: 108-44. (Jul 3, 2003)

Law: 108-44 (Enacted Jul 3, 2003)

Official Text: https://www.congress.gov/bill/108th-congress/house-bill/658

Sponsor

Name: Rep. Baker, Richard H. [R-LA-6]

Party: Republican • State: LA • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Oxley, Michael G. [R-OH-4]	R · OH		Feb 11, 2003

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Financial Services Committee	House	Reported by	Mar 20, 2003
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Discharged From	Jun 2, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Finance and Financial Sector

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 S 496	Related bill	Mar 3, 2003: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

(This measure has not been amended since it was passed by the House on June 17, 2003. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Accountant, Compliance, and Enforcement Staffing Act of 2003 - Amends the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to permit the Securities and Exchange Commission to appoint any candidates for accountant, economist, and securities compliance examiner positions in the competitive service according to statutes, rules, and regulations for the excepted service, notwithstanding those governing appointments in the competitive service.

Declares that such appointments shall not be considered to cause a position to be converted from the competitive service to the excepted service.

Instructs the Commission to report to specified congressional committees on the changes in the hiring process authorized by this Act, including: (1) the quality of candidates; (2) the procedures used by the Commission to select candidates through the streamlined hiring process; (3) the numbers, types, and grades of employees hired under the authority; (4) any benefits or shortcomings associated with the use of the authority; (5) the effect of the exercise of the authority on the hiring of veterans and other demographic groups; and (6) the way in which managers were trained in the administration of the streamlined hiring system.

Actions Timeline

- Jul 3, 2003: Signed by President.
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- Jul 3, 2003: Became Public Law No: 108-44.
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- Jun 24, 2003: Presented to President.
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- Jun 20, 2003: Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- Jun 19, 2003: Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S8260)
- Jun 19, 2003: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S8260)
- Jun 18, 2003: Received in the Senate.
- Jun 17, 2003: Mr. Baker moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- Jun 17, 2003: Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H5421-5424)
- Jun 17, 2003: DEBATE The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 658.
- Jun 17, 2003: 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.
- Jun 17, 2003: Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H5438)
- Jun 17, 2003: 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): 423 0 (Roll no. 281).(text: CR H5421)
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- Jun 17, 2003: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- Jun 2, 2003: Committee on Government Reform discharged.
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- Jun 2, 2003: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 69.
- Apr 8, 2003: Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Financial Services. H. Rept. 108-63, Part I.
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- Apr 8, 2003: House Committee on Government Reform Granted an extension for further consideration ending not later than June 2, 2003.
- Mar 26, 2003: Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- Mar 26, 2003: Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- Mar 20, 2003: Subcommittee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- Mar 20, 2003: Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- Mar 6, 2003: Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- Feb 27, 2003: Referred to the Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance and Government Sponsored Enterprises.
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