

HR 3177

Lobby Gift Ban Act of 2005

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Congress

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Miller, George [D-CA-7]

Party: Democratic • State: CA • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Gerlach, Jim [R-PA-6]	R · PA		Mar 15, 2006
Rep. Green, Mark [R-WI-8]	R · WI		Mar 15, 2006

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 23, 2005
Rules Committee	House	Referred To	Jun 30, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Congress

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Lobby Gift Ban Act of 2005 - Prohibits a registered lobbyist from knowingly making a gift to a Member, Delegate, Resident Commissioner, officer, or employee of Congress, with the exception of certain: (1) lawful political fundraising activities; (2) gifts from relatives; (3) employee benefits; (4) informational materials; (5) items of nominal value; (6) gifts on a personal basis, under specified circumstances; (7) outside business or employment activities provided to his or her spouse; (8) opportunities and benefits unrelated to congressional employment; and (9) foods or refreshments of nominal value offered other than as part of a meal.

Considers a gift to a family member of a Member, Delegate, Resident Commissioner, officer, or employee of Congress, or a gift to any other individual based on that individual's relationship with the Member, Delegate, Resident Commissioner, officer, or employee, to be a prohibited gift if it was given because of the individual's official position.

Imposes a civil fine of \$50,000 for violation of this Act, depending on the extent and gravity of the violation.

Amends the Rules of the House of Representatives to prohibit a Member, Delegate, or Resident Commissioner from accepting a gift from a registered lobbyist prohibited by this Act.

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### **Actions Timeline**

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