

## HR 2546

Blue Star/Gold Star Flag Act of 2010

**Congress:** 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Housing and Community Development

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| Rep. Minnick, Walter [D-ID-1]               | D · ID        |      | Oct 21, 2009 |
| Rep. Moore, Dennis [D-KS-3]                 | D · KS        |      | Oct 21, 2009 |
| Rep. Teague, Harry [D-NM-2]                 | D · NM        |      | Oct 21, 2009 |
| Rep. Gordon, Bart [D-TN-6]                  | D · TN        |      | Oct 28, 2009 |
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| Rep. Peters, Gary C. [D-MI-9]               | D · MI        |      | Oct 28, 2009 |
| Rep. Lipinski, Daniel [D-IL-3]              | D · IL        |      | Nov 4, 2009  |
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| Rep. Rahall, Nick J., II [D-WV-3]           | D · WV        |      | Dec 14, 2009 |
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| Rep. Connolly, Gerald E. [D-VA-11]          | D · VA        |      | Jan 19, 2010 |
| Rep. Sestak, Joe [D-PA-7]                   | D · PA        |      | Jan 19, 2010 |
| Rep. Wolf, Frank R. [R-VA-10]               | R · VA        |      | Jan 20, 2010 |
| Del. Bordallo, Madeleine Z. [D-GU-At Large] | D · GU        |      | Jan 21, 2010 |
| Rep. Richardson, Laura [D-CA-37]            | D · CA        |      | Jan 26, 2010 |
| Rep. Conaway, K. Michael [R-TX-11]          | R · TX        |      | Jan 27, 2010 |
| Rep. Miller, Jeff [R-FL-1]                  | R · FL        |      | Feb 2, 2010  |
| Rep. Pastor, Ed [D-AZ-4]                    | D · AZ        |      | Feb 2, 2010  |
| Rep. Tanner, John S. [D-TN-8]               | D · TN        |      | Feb 2, 2010  |

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| Rep. Peterson, Collin C. [D-MN-7]  | D · MN        |      | Feb 3, 2010  |
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| Rep. Shea-Porter, Carol [D-NH-1]   | D · NH        |      | Feb 22, 2010 |
| Rep. Campbell, John [R-CA-48]      | R · CA        |      | Apr 14, 2010 |
| Rep. Lee, Christopher J. [R-NY-26] | R · NY        |      | Apr 26, 2010 |
| Rep. McNerney, Jerry [D-CA-11]     | D · CA        |      | May 5, 2010  |
| Rep. Clay, Wm. Lacy [D-MO-1]       | D · MO        |      | May 6, 2010  |
| Rep. Kaptur, Marcy [D-OH-9]        | D · OH        |      | May 6, 2010  |
| Rep. Radanovich, George [R-CA-19]  | R · CA        |      | May 13, 2010 |
| Rep. Fudge, Marcia L. [D-OH-11]    | D · OH        |      | May 18, 2010 |
| Rep. Ryan, Tim [D-OH-17]           | D · OH        |      | May 18, 2010 |
| Rep. Space, Zachary T. [D-OH-18]   | D · OH        |      | May 18, 2010 |
| Rep. Owens, William L. [D-NY-23]   | D · NY        |      | May 19, 2010 |
| Rep. Sutton, Betty [D-OH-13]       | D · OH        |      | May 19, 2010 |

### Committee Activity

| Committee                                     | Chamber | Activity    | Date         |
|---|---------|-------------|--------------|
| Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Committee | Senate  | Referred To | May 20, 2010 |
| Financial Services Committee                  | House   | Referred To | May 21, 2009 |

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Housing and Community Development

### Related Bills

| Bill       | Relationship | Last Action  |
|------------|--------------|--|
| 111 S 3477 | Related bill | <b>Jun 10, 2010:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services. |

### Summary (as of May 19, 2010)

Blue Star/Gold Star Flag Act of 2010 - States that a condominium association, cooperative association, or residential real estate management association may not adopt or enforce any policy, or enter into any agreement, that would restrict or prevent an association member from displaying a Service Flag on residential property within the association with respect to which such member has a separate ownership interest or a right to exclusive possession or use. (A Service Flag, also known as a "blue star banner," is an official banner authorized by the Department of Defense [DOD] for display by families who have members serving in the Armed Forces during any period of war or hostilities the United States may be engaged in for the duration of such hostilities.)

States that nothing in this Act shall be considered to permit any display or use inconsistent with: (1) any DOD regulations regarding rules or customs pertaining to the proper display or use of the Service Flag; or (2) any reasonable restriction pertaining to the time, place, or manner of displaying the flag necessary to protect a substantial interest of the condominium, cooperative, or residential real estate management association.

## Actions Timeline

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- **May 20, 2010:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
- **May 19, 2010:** Mr. Moore (KS) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **May 19, 2010:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H3602-3604)
- **May 19, 2010:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 2546.
- **May 19, 2010:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H3603)
- **May 19, 2010:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H3603)
- **May 19, 2010:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **May 21, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **May 21, 2009:** Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.