

HR 3567

Respect for Marriage Act of 2009

Congress: 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Law

Introduced: Sep 15, 2009

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties. (Oct 19, 2009)

Official Text: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/111th-congress/house-bill/3567>

Sponsor

Name: Rep. Nadler, Jerrold [D-NY-8]

Party: Democratic • **State:** NY • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (120 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Abercrombie, Neil [D-HI-1]	D · HI		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Ackerman, Gary L. [D-NY-5]	D · NY		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Andrews, Robert E. [D-NJ-1]	D · NJ		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Baldwin, Tammy [D-WI-2]	D · WI		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Becerra, Xavier [D-CA-31]	D · CA		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Berkley, Shelley [D-NV-1]	D · NV		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Berman, Howard L. [D-CA-28]	D · CA		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]	D · OR		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Brady, Robert A. [D-PA-1]	D · PA		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Capps, Lois [D-CA-23]	D · CA		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Capuano, Michael E. [D-MA-8]	D · MA		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Castor, Kathy [D-FL-11]	D · FL		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Clarke, Yvette D. [D-NY-11]	D · NY		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Conyers, John, Jr. [D-MI-14]	D · MI		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Courtney, Joe [D-CT-2]	D · CT		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Davis, Susan A. [D-CA-53]	D · CA		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. DeGette, Diana [D-CO-1]	D · CO		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Delahunt, Bill [D-MA-10]	D · MA		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. DeLauro, Rosa L. [D-CT-3]	D · CT		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Doyle, Michael F. [D-PA-14]	D · PA		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Edwards, Donna F. [D-MD-4]	D · MD		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Ellison, Keith [D-MN-5]	D · MN		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Engel, Eliot L. [D-NY-17]	D · NY		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Farr, Sam [D-CA-17]	D · CA		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Fattah, Chaka [D-PA-2]	D · PA		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Filner, Bob [D-CA-51]	D · CA		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-7]	D · AZ		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Gutierrez, Luis V. [D-IL-4]	D · IL		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Harman, Jane [D-CA-36]	D · CA		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Hastings, Alcee L. [D-FL-23]	D · FL		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Heinrich, Martin [D-NM-1]	D · NM		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Himes, James A. [D-CT-4]	D · CT		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Hinchey, Maurice D. [D-NY-22]	D · NY		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Hirono, Mazie K. [D-HI-2]	D · HI		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Hodes, Paul W. [D-NH-2]	D · NH		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Holt, Rush [D-NJ-12]	D · NJ		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Honda, Michael M. [D-CA-15]	D · CA		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Israel, Steve [D-NY-2]	D · NY		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Jackson, Jesse L., Jr. [D-IL-2]	D · IL		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Johnson, Henry C. "Hank," Jr. [D-GA-4]	D · GA		Sep 15, 2009

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Kennedy, Patrick J. [D-RI-1]	D · RI		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Kilroy, Mary Jo [D-OH-15]	D · OH		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Kucinich, Dennis J. [D-OH-10]	D · OH		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Larson, John B. [D-CT-1]	D · CT		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Lee, Barbara [D-CA-9]	D · CA		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Lewis, John [D-GA-5]	D · GA		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Lofgren, Zoe [D-CA-16]	D · CA		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Lowey, Nita M. [D-NY-18]	D · NY		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Maffei, Daniel B. [D-NY-25]	D · NY		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Maloney, Carolyn B. [D-NY-14]	D · NY		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Markey, Edward J. [D-MA-7]	D · MA		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Matsui, Doris O. [D-CA-5]	D · CA		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. McCollum, Betty [D-MN-4]	D · MN		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. McDermott, Jim [D-WA-7]	D · WA		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. McGovern, James P. [D-MA-3]	D · MA		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Meeks, Gregory W. [D-NY-6]	D · NY		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Miller, George [D-CA-7]	D · CA		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Moran, James P. [D-VA-8]	D · VA		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Murphy, Christopher [D-CT-5]	D · CT		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Napolitano, Grace F. [D-CA-38]	D · CA		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Olver, John W. [D-MA-1]	D · MA		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Pallone, Frank, Jr. [D-NJ-6]	D · NJ		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Pastor, Ed [D-AZ-4]	D · AZ		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Pingree, Chellie [D-ME-1]	D · ME		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Polis, Jared [D-CO-2]	D · CO		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Quigley, Mike [D-IL-5]	D · IL		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Rangel, Charles B. [D-NY-15]	D · NY		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Rothman, Steven R. [D-NJ-9]	D · NJ		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Roybal-Allard, Lucille [D-CA-34]	D · CA		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Sánchez, Linda T. [D-CA-39]	D · CA		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Schakowsky, Janice D. [D-IL-9]	D · IL		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Scott, Robert C. "Bobby" [D-VA-3]	D · VA		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Serrano, Jose E. [D-NY-16]	D · NY		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Sestak, Joe [D-PA-7]	D · PA		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Shea-Porter, Carol [D-NH-1]	D · NH		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Sherman, Brad [D-CA-27]	D · CA		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Speier, Jackie [D-CA-12]	D · CA		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Stark, Fortney Pete [D-CA-13]	D · CA		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Tierney, John F. [D-MA-6]	D · MA		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Tonko, Paul [D-NY-21]	D · NY		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Towns, Edolphus [D-NY-10]	D · NY		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Tsongas, Niki [D-MA-5]	D · MA		Sep 15, 2009

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Velazquez, Nydia M. [D-NY-12]	D · NY		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Wasserman Schultz, Debbie [D-FL-20]	D · FL		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Watson, Diane E. [D-CA-33]	D · CA		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Waxman, Henry A. [D-CA-30]	D · CA		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Weiner, Anthony D. [D-NY-9]	D · NY		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Welch, Peter [D-VT-At Large]	D · VT		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Wexler, Robert [D-FL-19]	D · FL		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Woolsey, Lynn C. [D-CA-6]	D · CA		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Wu, David [D-OR-1]	D · OR		Sep 15, 2009
Rep. Lujan, Ben Ray [D-NM-3]	D · NM		Sep 17, 2009
Rep. Sarbanes, John P. [D-MD-3]	D · MD		Sep 17, 2009
Rep. Chu, Judy [D-CA-32]	D · CA		Sep 24, 2009
Rep. Clay, Wm. Lacy [D-MO-1]	D · MO		Sep 24, 2009
Rep. Hall, John J. [D-NY-19]	D · NY		Sep 24, 2009
Rep. Arcuri, Michael A. [D-NY-24]	D · NY		Oct 13, 2009
Rep. Crowley, Joseph [D-NY-7]	D · NY		Oct 13, 2009
Rep. Lynch, Stephen F. [D-MA-9]	D · MA		Oct 13, 2009
Rep. Payne, Donald M. [D-NJ-10]	D · NJ		Oct 13, 2009
Rep. Connolly, Gerald E. [D-VA-11]	D · VA		Oct 22, 2009
Rep. Van Hollen, Chris [D-MD-8]	D · MD		Oct 22, 2009
Rep. Baird, Brian [D-WA-3]	D · WA		Nov 6, 2009
Rep. Cleaver, Emanuel [D-MO-5]	D · MO		Dec 3, 2009
Rep. Higgins, Brian [D-NY-27]	D · NY		Dec 16, 2009
Rep. Sires, Albio [D-NJ-13]	D · NJ		Dec 16, 2009
Rep. Price, David E. [D-NC-4]	D · NC		Feb 26, 2010
Rep. Cummings, Elijah E. [D-MD-7]	D · MD		Apr 22, 2010
Rep. Moore, Gwen [D-WI-4]	D · WI		May 5, 2010
Rep. Jackson Lee, Sheila [D-TX-18]	D · TX		May 24, 2010
Rep. Deutch, Theodore E. [D-FL-19]	D · FL		Jun 24, 2010
Rep. Slaughter, Louise McIntosh [D-NY-28]	D · NY		Jul 13, 2010
Rep. Fudge, Marcia L. [D-OH-11]	D · OH		Sep 14, 2010
Rep. Eshoo, Anna G. [D-CA-14]	D · CA		Sep 22, 2010
Rep. Johnson, Eddie Bernice [D-TX-30]	D · TX		Sep 22, 2010
Rep. Davis, Danny K. [D-IL-7]	D · IL		Sep 28, 2010
Rep. Garamendi, John [D-CA-10]	D · CA		Sep 28, 2010
Rep. Grayson, Alan [D-FL-8]	D · FL		Sep 28, 2010
Rep. Richardson, Laura [D-CA-37]	D · CA		Sep 28, 2010

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Oct 19, 2009

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Law

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Sep 15, 2009)

Respect for Marriage Act of 2009 - Amends the Defense of Marriage Act to repeal provisions allowing states, territories, possessions of the United States, or Indian tribes to give no effect to a public act, record, or judicial proceeding of any other such entity respecting a relationship between persons of the same sex that is treated as a marriage under that entity's laws or a right or claim arising from such relationship.

Amends the federal rules of construction added by such Act concerning the definitions of "marriage" and "spouse" to provide that, for purposes of any federal law in which marital status is a factor, an individual shall be considered married if that individual's marriage is valid in the state where the marriage was entered into or, in the case of a marriage entered into outside any state, if the marriage is valid in the place where entered into and the marriage could have been entered into in a state.

Actions Timeline

- **Oct 19, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.
- **Sep 15, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 15, 2009:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.

LegiList

CONGRESS, MADE CLEAR.

Search Every Federal Bill, Law, and Vote

LegiList is the fastest way to research Congress. Track any bill from introduction to enactment, see how every legislator voted, follow committee activity, and read the full text of every bill — all in one place, always up to date.

legilist.com

Free Course: Learn How Congress Actually Works

LegiList Learn is a free, self-paced course that walks through the entire legislative process — from drafting a bill to a presidential signature. Seven modules, plain language, no politics. Earn a certificate when you finish.

legilist.com/learn

Developer API: Build Apps on Legislative Data

The LegiList API gives developers direct access to bills, votes, legislators, committees, and more. Start free with 1,000 requests per day — no credit card required. Upgrade to Pro when you need to scale.

legilist.com/api

Public data belongs to the public. — legilist.com