

## HR 3655

### Bereaved Consumer's Bill of Rights Act of 2010

**Congress:** 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Commerce

**Introduced:** Sep 25, 2009

**Current Status:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 401.

**Latest Action:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 401. (Dec 7, 2010)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/111th-congress/house-bill/3655>

## Sponsor

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

## Cosponsors (15 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		Jan 21, 2010
Rep. Davis, Danny K. [D-IL-7]	D · IL		Jan 21, 2010
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Rep. Peters, Gary C. [D-MI-9]	D · MI		Jan 21, 2010
Rep. Schakowsky, Janice D. [D-IL-9]	D · IL		Jan 21, 2010
Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-7]	D · AZ		Mar 9, 2010
Rep. Johnson, Eddie Bernice [D-TX-30]	D · TX		Mar 11, 2010
Rep. Barrow, John [D-GA-12]	D · GA		Mar 17, 2010
Rep. Butterfield, G. K. [D-NC-1]	D · NC		Mar 24, 2010
Rep. Mollohan, Alan B. [D-WV-1]	D · WV		Apr 13, 2010
Rep. Quigley, Mike [D-IL-5]	D · IL		Apr 15, 2010
Rep. Wilson, Charles A. [D-OH-6]	D · OH		May 6, 2010
Rep. Hare, Phil [D-IL-17]	D · IL		Jul 26, 2010
Rep. Adler, John H. [D-NJ-3]	D · NJ		Sep 15, 2010
Rep. Payne, Donald M. [D-NJ-10]	D · NJ		Nov 15, 2010

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Reported by	Mar 24, 2010

## Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Commerce

## Related Bills

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No related bills are listed.

### Summary (as of Dec 7, 2010)

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Bereaved Consumer's Bill of Rights Act of 2010 - Directs the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) to prescribe rules prohibiting unfair or deceptive acts or practices in the provision of funeral goods or services. Includes among such rules: (1) a requirement that price information be disclosed clearly and conspicuously; (2) a prohibition on misrepresentations or conditioning the provision of goods or services upon the purchase of other goods or services from the provider; (3) a requirement that any presale disclosures and contracts are written clearly, stating the merchandise, services, and prices and disclosing any penalties for canceling or transferring a contract; (4) a requirement that cemeteries provide to consumers all written rules and regulations of the cemetery and all material terms and conditions of purchase; and (5) a requirement that cemeteries retain all records in existence on the date of enactment of this Act and accurately record and retain records of interments, inurnments, or entombments.

Applies such rules to states or political subdivisions and tax-exempt organizations. Excludes cemeteries organized, operated, managed, and owned by a religious organization and that are not affiliated with a for-profit provider offering funeral goods and services for sale to the public.

Gives standing to states to bring a civil action for violations of this Act.

### Actions Timeline

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- **Dec 7, 2010:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Energy and Commerce. H. Rept. 111-672.
- **Dec 7, 2010:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 401.
- **Jul 21, 2010:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jul 21, 2010:** Ordered to be Reported by Voice Vote.
- **May 5, 2010:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Mar 24, 2010:** Subcommittee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Mar 24, 2010:** Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee (Amended) by Voice Vote .
- **Jan 27, 2010:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Jan 26, 2010:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Sep 29, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection.
- **Sep 25, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 25, 2009:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.