

## HR 4115

Open Access to Courts Act of 2009

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**Chamber:** House

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## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Dec 16, 2009

## Subjects & Policy Tags

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### Policy Area:

Law

## Related Bills

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*No related bills are listed.*

## Summary (as of Nov 19, 2009)

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Open Access to Courts Act of 2009 - Prohibits a U.S. district court from dismissing a complaint: (1) unless it appears beyond doubt that the plaintiff can prove no set of facts in support of the claim which would entitle the plaintiff to relief; or (2) on the basis of a determination by the judge that the factual contents of the complaint do not show the plaintiff's claim to be plausible or are insufficient to warrant a reasonable interference that the defendant is liable for the misconduct alleged.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Dec 16, 2009:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Dec 11, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts and Competition Policy.
- **Nov 19, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Nov 19, 2009:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.