

HR 739

Security and Financial Empowerment (SAFE) Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Labor and Employment

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Roybal-Allard, Lucille [D-CA-34]

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

Cosponsors (9 total)

| Cosponsor | Party / State | Role | Date Joined |
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| Rep. Poe, Ted [R-TX-2] | R · TX | | Jan 28, 2009 |
| Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-7] | D · AZ | | Apr 23, 2009 |
| Rep. Maloney, Carolyn B. [D-NY-14] | D · NY | | Apr 23, 2009 |
| Rep. Edwards, Donna F. [D-MD-4] | D · MD | | May 13, 2009 |
| Rep. Moore, Dennis [D-KS-3] | D · KS | | May 13, 2009 |
| Rep. Jackson-Lee, Sheila [D-TX-18] | D · TX | | Oct 20, 2009 |
| Rep. Lee, Barbara [D-CA-9] | D · CA | | Nov 5, 2009 |
| Rep. Slaughter, Louise McIntosh [D-NY-28] | D · NY | | Dec 2, 2009 |
| Del. Christensen, Donna M. [D-VI-At Large] | D · VI | | Nov 30, 2010 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Education and Workforce Committee | House | Referred To | Jan 28, 2009 |
| Financial Services Committee | House | Referred To | Jan 28, 2009 |
| Ways and Means Committee | House | Referred To | Jan 28, 2009 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Labor and Employment

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 111 S 1740 | Related bill | Oct 1, 2009: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. |

Security and Financial Empowerment (SAFE) Act - Sets forth entitlement standards and implementation guidelines for employee use of emergency leave to address domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking (domestic or sexual violence). Permits victims of domestic or sexual violence to substitute existing leave in lieu of emergency leave.

Authorizes state use of funds under part A of title IV of the Social Security Act (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families) (TANF) to provide nonrecurrent short-term emergency benefits for victims of domestic or sexual violence on emergency leave.

Amends the Internal Revenue Code to prohibit denial of unemployment compensation to individuals separated from employment due to their experience of domestic or sexual violence. Amends the Social Security Act to require training of unemployment compensation and TANF personnel to provide necessary services to victims of domestic or sexual violence.

Victims' Employment Sustainability Act - Prohibits certain discriminatory employer practices against victims of domestic or sexual violence.

Victims of Abuse Insurance Protection Act - Prohibits denial or restriction of insurance coverage (including termination of health insurance coverage) based on the status of the applicant or insured as a victim of domestic or sexual violence.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 3, 2009:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H912)
- **Jan 28, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 28, 2009:** Referred to House Education and Labor
- **Jan 28, 2009:** Referred to the Committee on Education and Labor, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
- **Jan 28, 2009:** Referred to House Ways and Means
- **Jan 28, 2009:** Referred to House Financial Services