

## HR 983

Government Neutrality in Contracting Act

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**Chamber:** House

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Rep. Platts, Todd Russell [R-PA-19]	R · PA		Sep 14, 2010

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 24, 2009

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 S 90	Identical bill	Jan 6, 2009: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

## Summary (as of Feb 11, 2009)

Government Neutrality in Contracting Act - Directs the head of any federal agency that awards or obligates funds for any construction contract, or that awards grants, provides financial assistance, or enters into cooperative agreements for construction projects, to ensure that bid specifications, project agreements, or other controlling documents do not: (1) require or prohibit a bidder, offeror, contractor, or subcontractor from entering into, or adhering to, agreements with a labor organization, with respect to that construction project or another related construction project; or (2) otherwise discriminate against such a party because it did or did not become a signatory or otherwise adhere to such an agreement.

Allows exemptions to avert an imminent threat to public health or safety or to serve national security. Allows additional exemptions for certain projects.

Directs the Federal Acquisition Regulatory Council to amend the Federal Acquisition Regulation to implement this Act with respect to the applicable federal contracts.

## Actions Timeline

- **Feb 24, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Government Management, Organization, and Procurement.
- **Feb 11, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 11, 2009:** Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.