

## HR 3257

Regulatory Time-Out Act of 2011

**Congress:** 112 (2011–2013, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Government Operations and Politics

**Introduced:** Oct 25, 2011

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, Commercial and Administrative Law.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, Commercial and Administrative Law. (Nov 2, 2011)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/112th-congress/house-bill/3257>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Hanna, Richard L. [R-NY-24]

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

### Cosponsors (5 total)

| Cosponsor                      | Party / State | Role | Date Joined  |
|--------------------------------|---------------|------|--------------|
| Rep. Terry, Lee [R-NE-2]       | R · NE        |      | Oct 25, 2011 |
| Rep. Paul, Ron [R-TX-14]       | R · TX        |      | Nov 1, 2011  |
| Rep. Ribble, Reid J. [R-WI-8]  | R · WI        |      | Nov 1, 2011  |
| Rep. Young, Todd [R-IN-9]      | R · IN        |      | Nov 1, 2011  |
| Rep. Latta, Robert E. [R-OH-5] | R · OH        |      | Nov 3, 2011  |

### Committee Activity

| Committee                                 | Chamber | Activity    | Date        |
|---|---------|-------------|-------------|
| Judiciary Committee                       | House   | Referred to | Nov 2, 2011 |
| Oversight and Government Reform Committee | House   | Referred to | Nov 2, 2011 |

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

### Related Bills

| Bill        | Relationship | Last Action  |
|-------------|--------------|--|
| 112 S 1786  | Related bill | <b>Nov 3, 2011:</b> Motion to proceed to consideration of measure under the order of 11/2/2011, not having achieved 60 votes in the affirmative, was rejected in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 47 - 53. Record Vote Number: 196. (consideration: CR S7113) |
| 112 HR 3194 | Related bill | <b>Nov 2, 2011:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs, Stimulus Oversight and Government Spending .   |
| 112 S 1538  | Related bill | <b>Sep 12, 2011:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.   |

Regulatory Time-Out Act of 2011 - Prohibits covered regulations from being in effect or from taking effect during the period beginning on the enactment of this Act and ending on January 21, 2013 (time-out period). Prohibits publication of any general notice of a proposed rulemaking for what would be a covered regulation, and nullifies a rulemaking that was published but for which the comment period did not expire before enactment of this Act, during such period.

Defines a "covered regulation" as a final regulation that did not take effect before September 1, 2011, that increases costs on businesses in a manner that will have an adverse effect on job creation, job retention, productivity, competitiveness, or the efficient functioning of the economy and that is likely to: (1) have an annual effect on the economy of \$100 million or more; (2) adversely affect in a material way the economy, productivity, competition, jobs, the environment, public health or safety, or state, local, or tribal governments or communities; (3) create a serious inconsistency or otherwise interfere with an action by another agency; (4) materially alter the budgetary impact of entitlements, grants, user fees, or loan programs or the rights and obligations of recipients; or (5) raise novel legal or policy issues.

Exempts regulations that are required by law. Allows agency heads to exempt covered regulations that: (1) are necessary due to an imminent threat to human health or safety or any other emergency; (2) are necessary to enforce criminal laws, (3) foster private sector job creation; (4) encourage economic growth; (5) reduce regulatory burdens; (6) pertain to a military or foreign affairs function; or (7) are limited to interpreting, implementing, or administering the Internal Revenue Code.

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### **Actions Timeline**

- **Nov 2, 2011:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs, Stimulus Oversight and Government Spending .
- **Nov 2, 2011:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, Commercial and Administrative Law.
- **Oct 25, 2011:** Introduced in House
- **Oct 25, 2011:** Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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.