

S 1737

Minimum Wage Fairness Act

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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • **State:** IA • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (39 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Reid, Harry [D-NV]	D · NV		Nov 19, 2013
Sen. Baldwin, Tammy [D-WI]	D · WI		Jan 6, 2014
Sen. Begich, Mark [D-AK]	D · AK		Jan 6, 2014
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Jan 6, 2014
Sen. Boxer, Barbara [D-CA]	D · CA		Jan 6, 2014
Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]	D · OH		Jan 6, 2014
Sen. Casey, Robert P., Jr. [D-PA]	D · PA		Jan 6, 2014
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	D · IL		Jan 6, 2014
Sen. Franken, Al [D-MN]	D · MN		Jan 6, 2014
Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Jan 6, 2014
Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]	D · MN		Jan 6, 2014
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	D · VT		Jan 6, 2014
Sen. Markey, Edward J. [D-MA]	D · MA		Jan 6, 2014
Sen. Mikulski, Barbara A. [D-MD]	D · MD		Jan 6, 2014
Sen. Murphy, Christopher [D-CT]	D · CT		Jan 6, 2014
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA		Jan 6, 2014
Sen. Reed, Jack [D-RI]	D · RI		Jan 6, 2014
Sen. Schatz, Brian [D-HI]	D · HI		Jan 6, 2014
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		Jan 6, 2014
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		Jan 6, 2014
Sen. Cardin, Benjamin L. [D-MD]	D · MD		Jan 7, 2014
Sen. Sanders, Bernard [I-VT]	I · VT		Jan 7, 2014
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Jan 7, 2014
Sen. Warren, Elizabeth [D-MA]	D · MA		Jan 7, 2014
Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]	D · OR		Jan 7, 2014
Sen. Heitkamp, Heidi [D-ND]	D · ND		Jan 9, 2014
Sen. Levin, Carl [D-MI]	D · MI		Jan 13, 2014
Sen. Merkley, Jeff [D-OR]	D · OR		Jan 13, 2014
Sen. Booker, Cory A. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Jan 14, 2014
Sen. Hirono, Mazie K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Feb 6, 2014
Sen. Johnson, Tim [D-SD]	D · SD		Feb 12, 2014
Sen. Hagan, Kay R. [D-NC]	D · NC		Feb 27, 2014
Sen. Udall, Tom [D-NM]	D · NM		Mar 4, 2014
Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]	D · CA		Mar 11, 2014
Sen. Bennet, Michael F. [D-CO]	D · CO		Mar 12, 2014
Sen. Coons, Christopher A. [D-DE]	D · DE		Mar 13, 2014
Sen. McCaskill, Claire [D-MO]	D · MO		Mar 27, 2014
Sen. Heinrich, Martin [D-NM]	D · NM		Apr 1, 2014
Sen. Nelson, Bill [D-FL]	D · FL		Apr 1, 2014

Committee Activity

No committee referrals or activity are recorded for this bill.

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Labor and Employment

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
113 HR 3939	Related bill	Jun 13, 2014: Referred to the Subcommittee on Workforce Protections.
113 S 2223	Identical bill	Apr 30, 2014: Motion by Senator Reid to reconsider the vote by which cloture was not invoked on the motion to proceed to the measure (Record Vote No. 117) entered in Senate. (consideration: CR S2527-2528, S2535-2543, S2543-2546, S2546-2547, S2548-2549)
113 HR 1010	Related bill	Feb 26, 2014: Motion to Discharge Committee filed by Mr. Bishop (NY). Petition No: 113-7. (Discharge petition text with signatures.)
113 HR 4019	Related bill	Feb 6, 2014: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.
113 S 1859	Related bill	Dec 20, 2013: Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 287.
113 HR 3746	Related bill	Dec 12, 2013: Referred to the House Committee on Education and the Workforce.
113 S 1498	Related bill	Sep 12, 2013: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
113 S 1085	Related bill	Jun 3, 2013: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
113 S 460	Related bill	Mar 5, 2013: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (text of measure as introduced: CR S1132)

Minimum Wage Fairness Act - Amends the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 (FLSA) to increase the federal minimum wage for employees to: (1) \$8.20 an hour beginning on the first day of the sixth month after the enactment of this Act, (2) \$9.15 an hour beginning one year after the date of such initial increase, (3) \$10.10 an hour beginning two years after such date, and (4) the amount determined by the Secretary of Labor (based on increases in the Consumer Price Index) beginning three years after such date and annually thereafter.

Increases the federal minimum wage for tipped employees to \$3.00 an hour for one year beginning on the first day of the sixth month after the enactment of this Act. Provides a formula for subsequent annual adjustments of the minimum wage for tipped employees until it equals 70% of the wage in effect under FLSA for other employees.

Directs the Secretary of Labor, 60 days before any increase in the minimum wage, to publish it in the Federal Register and on the Department of Labor's website.

Amends the Internal Revenue Code to extend through taxable years beginning before 2017: (1) the increase to \$500,000 of the expensing allowance for business assets, including computer software; and (2) the treatment of qualified real property (i.e., leasehold improvement property, restaurant property, and retail improvement property) as depreciable business property.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 2, 2014:** Motion to proceed to consideration of measure made in Senate. (consideration: CR S2043)
- **Apr 1, 2014:** Motion to proceed to consideration of measure made in Senate. (consideration: CR S1883)
- **Mar 31, 2014:** Motion to proceed to consideration of measure made in Senate. (consideration: CR S1860)
- **Nov 20, 2013:** Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 250.
- **Nov 19, 2013:** Introduced in Senate
- **Nov 19, 2013:** Introduced in the Senate. Read the first time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under Read the First Time.