

HR 2670

OPEN Act

Congress: 113 (2013–2015, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Government Operations and Politics

Introduced: Jul 11, 2013

Current Status: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on House Administration

Latest Action: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on House Administration, 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. (Jul 11, 2013)

Official Text: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/113th-congress/house-bill/2670>

Sponsor

Name: Rep. Cartwright, Matt [D-PA-17]

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

Cosponsors (28 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Andrews, Robert E. [D-NJ-1]	D · NJ		Jul 11, 2013
Rep. Brady, Robert A. [D-PA-1]	D · PA		Jul 11, 2013
Rep. Cicilline, David N. [D-RI-1]	D · RI		Jul 11, 2013
Rep. Clyburn, James E. [D-SC-6]	D · SC		Jul 11, 2013
Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		Jul 11, 2013
Rep. DeFazio, Peter A. [D-OR-4]	D · OR		Jul 11, 2013
Rep. Ellison, Keith [D-MN-5]	D · MN		Jul 11, 2013
Rep. Engel, Eliot L. [D-NY-16]	D · NY		Jul 11, 2013
Rep. Enyart, William L. [D-IL-12]	D · IL		Jul 11, 2013
Rep. Fattah, Chaka [D-PA-2]	D · PA		Jul 11, 2013
Rep. Grayson, Alan [D-FL-9]	D · FL		Jul 11, 2013
Rep. Green, Gene [D-TX-29]	D · TX		Jul 11, 2013
Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-3]	D · AZ		Jul 11, 2013
Rep. O'Rourke, Beto [D-TX-16]	D · TX		Jul 11, 2013
Rep. Sánchez, Linda T. [D-CA-38]	D · CA		Jul 11, 2013
Rep. Sanchez, Loretta [D-CA-46]	D · CA		Jul 11, 2013
Rep. Sires, Albio [D-NJ-8]	D · NJ		Jul 11, 2013
Rep. Tonko, Paul [D-NY-20]	D · NY		Jul 11, 2013
Rep. Vargas, Juan [D-CA-51]	D · CA		Jul 11, 2013
Rep. Yarmuth, John A. [D-KY-3]	D · KY		Jul 11, 2013
Rep. Farr, Sam [D-CA-20]	D · CA		Jul 17, 2013
Rep. Shea-Porter, Carol [D-NH-1]	D · NH		Jul 17, 2013
Rep. Swalwell, Eric [D-CA-15]	D · CA		Jul 17, 2013
Rep. Lujan Grisham, Michelle [D-NM-1]	D · NM		Aug 1, 2013
Rep. Takano, Mark [D-CA-41]	D · CA		Aug 1, 2013
Rep. Honda, Michael M. [D-CA-17]	D · CA		Nov 18, 2013
Rep. Lowenthal, Alan S. [D-CA-47]	D · CA		Dec 12, 2013
Rep. Rush, Bobby L. [D-IL-1]	D · IL		Mar 24, 2014

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Committee on House Administration	House	Referred To	Jul 11, 2013
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 11, 2013

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Openness in Political Expenditures Now Act or OPEN Act - Amends the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to require a corporation which submits regular, periodic reports to its shareholders and a labor organization which submits similar reports to its members to include in each such report specified information on disbursements it has made for certain political activity (including independent expenditures and electioneering communications) during the period covered by the report. Limits the amount of disbursements reported, however, to the amount that equals or exceeds the applicable threshold for the covered political activity.

Defines "applicable threshold" for a disbursement as: (1) \$250 for an independent expenditure, (2) \$10,000 for an electioneering communication or another kind of communication meeting specified criteria, and (3) the amount of the applicable limitation on contributions in effect for payment of dues or other amounts to a trade association or to a tax-exempt non-profit civic league meeting certain criteria (501[c][4] organization).

Requires a corporation or labor organization reporting such expenditures to: (1) file a statement about them with the Election Assistance Commission (EAC), and (2) post on its website (if any) a hyperlink from its homepage to this statement on the EAC website.

Amends the Internal Revenue Code to subject a 501(c)(4) organization to the income tax on corporations if: (1) its expenditures for the taxable year for covered political activity exceed the lesser of 10% of its total expenditures or \$10 million, and (2) its governing instrument does not effectively prohibit its expenditures for a covered political activity from exceeding these thresholds.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 11, 2013:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 11, 2013:** Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on House Administration, 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.