

HR 5402

Standard Merger and Acquisition Reviews Through Equal Rules Act of 2014

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Commerce

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Discharged from	Sep 9, 2014

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Commerce

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Standard Merger and Acquisition Reviews Through Equal Rules Act of 2014 - Amends the Clayton Act with respect to actions brought by the Attorney General for violations of antitrust laws. Requires the Federal Trade Commission (FTC), but only under the Clayton Act, to exercise the same authority and procedures of the Attorney General specified in the Act with respect to the prohibition against acquisition by one corporation of the stock of another (merger) that may substantially lessen competition or tend to create a monopoly.

Amends the Federal Trade Commission Act (FTCA) to exclude proposed mergers, acquisitions, joint ventures, or similar transactions from FTC proceedings.

Grants jurisdiction to the U.S. district courts to issue writs of mandamus commanding compliance with the FTCA or any FTC order, if the FTC applies to such courts with respect to any activity related to consummation of a merger, acquisition, joint venture, or similar transaction that results in an unfair method of competition.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 11, 2014:** Reported by the Committee on Judiciary. H. Rept. 113-658.
- **Dec 11, 2014:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 495.
- **Sep 10, 2014:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Sep 10, 2014:** Ordered to be Reported by Voice Vote.
- **Sep 9, 2014:** Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial And Antitrust Law Discharged.
- **Sep 8, 2014:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 8, 2014:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.
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