

## S 1629

District of Columbia Courts, Public Defender Service, and Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency Act of 2015

**Congress:** 114 (2015–2017, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Government Operations and Politics

**Introduced:** Jun 18, 2015

**Current Status:** Became Public Law No: 114-118.

**Latest Action:** Became Public Law No: 114-118. (Jan 28, 2016)

**Law:** 114-118 (Enacted Jan 28, 2016)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/114th-congress/senate-bill/1629>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Johnson, Ron [R-WI]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** WI • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Carper, Thomas R. [D-DE]	D · DE		Jun 18, 2015

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Reported By	Aug 3, 2015
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Reported By	Dec 3, 2015

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

### Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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

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(Sec. 2) Amends the District of Columbia Code to authorize the Executive Officer of the District of Columbia courts to:

- collect debts owed to the District of Columbia courts because of erroneous payments made to current and former court employees, or any other debt; and
- purchase uniforms to be worn by certain nonjudicial employees of the District courts, so long as the cost of furnishing a uniform during a year does not exceed the amount applicable to the uniform allowance for federal employees.

(Sec. 3) Amends the National Capital Revitalization and Self-Government Improvement Act of 1997 to authorize the Director of the Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency to develop and operate intermediate incentive programs for sentenced offenders.

Makes permanent the Director's authority to accept, solicit, and use on behalf of the Agency: (1) any monetary or nonmonetary gift, donation, bequest, or use of facilities, property, or services to aid or facilitate the work of the Agency; and (2) reimbursements from the District government for space and services provided, on a cost reimbursable basis.

(Sec. 4) Amends the District of Columbia Court Reform and Criminal Procedure Act of 1970 to:

- authorize the Public Defender Service, upon approval of the Board of Trustees, to accept (as currently allowed) and use public grants, private contributions, and voluntary and uncompensated (gratuitous) services to assist it; and
- deem members of the Board of Trustees, as of October 21, 1998, to be employees of the Service instead of District employees for purposes of any action brought against them.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Jan 28, 2016:** Signed by President.
- **Jan 28, 2016:** Became Public Law No: 114-118.
- **Jan 19, 2016:** Presented to President.
- **Jan 11, 2016:** Mr. Chaffetz moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Jan 11, 2016:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H242-244)
- **Jan 11, 2016:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on S. 1629.
- **Jan 11, 2016:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H242-244)
- **Jan 11, 2016:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H242-244)
- **Jan 11, 2016:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Dec 3, 2015:** Reported by the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. H. Rept. 114-368.
- **Dec 3, 2015:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 281.
- **Oct 9, 2015:** Ordered to be Reported by Unanimous Consent.
- **Sep 11, 2015:** Received in the House.
- **Sep 11, 2015:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Sep 11, 2015:** Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.
- **Sep 10, 2015:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S6610-6611; text as passed Senate: CR S6610-6611)
- **Sep 10, 2015:** Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S6610-6611; text as passed Senate: CR S6610-6611)
- **Aug 3, 2015:** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Reported by Senator Johnson without amendment. With written report No. 114-110.
- **Aug 3, 2015:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 190.
- **Jun 24, 2015:** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Jun 18, 2015:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jun 18, 2015:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.