

HR 3089

GONE Act

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Lawrence, Brenda L. [D-MI-14]	D · MI		Jul 16, 2015
Rep. Carter, Earl L. "Buddy" [R-GA-1]	R · GA		Jul 23, 2015

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Sep 29, 2015
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Reported By	Sep 18, 2015

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 S 1115	Related bill	Jan 28, 2016: Became Public Law No: 114-117.

Grants Oversight and New Efficiency Act or the GONE Act

(Sec. 2) This bill directs the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to instruct the head of each federal agency (excluding Congress, U.S. courts, and the governments of U.S. territories or possessions and the District of Columbia), in coordination with the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), to submit to Congress and HHS, not later than December 31 of the first calendar year beginning after enactment of this Act, a report that: (1) lists each covered grant held by such agency; (2) provides the total number of covered grants, including the number of grants by time period of expiration, with zero dollar balances, and with undisbursed balances; (3) describes the challenges leading to delays in grant closeout; and (4) for the 30 oldest covered grants, explains why each covered grant has not been closed out. Agencies may use existing multiagency data systems to prepare their reports. Agency heads who are unable to submit all required information must include an explanation in their reports of why the information was not available, including any shortcomings with and plans to improve existing grant systems, including data systems.

Agencies must provide notice to HHS within one year after the agency head submits the report required by this Act, specifying whether grant awards associated with all of the covered grants have been closed out. HHS must compile and report to Congress on such notices not later than 90 days after all of the required notices have been provided, or by March 31 of the calendar year following the first calendar year beginning after enactment of this Act, whichever is sooner. The Inspector General of each agency with more than \$500 million in grant funding must conduct a risk assessment to determine if an audit or review of the agency's grant closeout process is warranted. The OMB must submit to Congress a report on recommendations for legislation to improve accountability and oversight in grants management, including the timely closeout of a covered grant.

The bill defines "covered grant" to mean a grant in a federal agency cash payment management system held by the U.S. government for which: (1) the grant award period of performance, including any extensions, has been expired for at least two years; and (2) the grant has not been closed out.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 29, 2015:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
- **Sep 28, 2015:** Mr. Walberg moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Sep 28, 2015:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H6271-6272)
- **Sep 28, 2015:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 3089.
- **Sep 28, 2015:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H6271)
- **Sep 28, 2015:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H6271)
- **Sep 28, 2015:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Sep 18, 2015:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. H. Rept. 114-264.
- **Sep 18, 2015:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 200.
- **Jul 22, 2015:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jul 22, 2015:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Jul 16, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 16, 2015:** Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.