

HR 314

Notch Fairness Act of 2015

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| Rep. Young, Don [R-AK-At Large] | R · AK | | Mar 3, 2016 |

Committee Activity

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| Ways and Means Committee | House | Referred to | Feb 27, 2015 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 114 S 99 | Identical bill | Jan 7, 2015: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. |

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Amends title II (Old Age, Survivors and Disability Insurance) (OASDI) of the Social Security Act to revise the formula for the computation of minimum Old Age Insurance benefits for individuals who reached age 65 in or after 1979, and to whom applies the 15-year transition period for the changes in benefit computation rules enacted in the Social Security Amendments of 1977.

("Notch" refers to birth in the United States between 1917 and 1921, as a result of which a retiree born between those years received lower cost-of-living increases in Social Security than others after Congress readjusted Social Security benefits in 1977.)

Sets forth a schedule of additional benefit increases for such beneficiaries (and related beneficiaries), with percentages declining from 55% to 5% and keyed to the year an individual became eligible for such benefits between 1979 and 1988.

Allows such beneficiaries, in the alternative, to receive lump sum payments over four years totaling \$5,000.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 27, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Social Security.
- **Jan 13, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 13, 2015:** Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.