

HR 3559

Small Business Administration Franchise Loan Transparency Act of 2015

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Commerce

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Ellison, Keith [D-MN-5]

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

Cosponsors (10 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Conyers, John, Jr. [D-MI-13]	D · MI		Sep 18, 2015
Rep. Huffman, Jared [D-CA-2]	D · CA		Sep 18, 2015
Rep. Larson, John B. [D-CT-1]	D · CT		Sep 29, 2015
Rep. Connolly, Gerald E. [D-VA-11]	D · VA		Oct 8, 2015
Rep. McCollum, Betty [D-MN-4]	D · MN		Oct 26, 2015
Rep. Frankel, Lois [D-FL-22]	D · FL		Feb 29, 2016
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Mar 10, 2016
Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-3]	D · AZ		Mar 14, 2016
Rep. Scott, Robert C. "Bobby" [D-VA-3]	D · VA		Mar 23, 2016
Rep. Payne, Donald M., Jr. [D-NJ-10]	D · NJ		Dec 1, 2016

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Sep 25, 2015

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Commerce

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 HR 3195	Identical bill	Jul 24, 2015: Referred to the Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade.

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This bill requires a franchisor, except one with a franchise in the lodging industry, to disclose in the required Federal Trade Commission disclosure document:

- the average first-year revenue for all franchise locations for each of the preceding five years of operation;
- the number of franchise locations that went out of business or were sold by the franchisee during the first year of operation for each such period; and
- the average revenues for all locations of the franchise for each such period, aggregated to show the top 25%, middle 50%, and the bottom 25% of revenue.

Any financial information relating to the performance of any franchise's location provided by the franchisor, or its representatives, to the lender for the purpose of qualifying the loan, must be disclosed to the prospective franchisee borrower.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 25, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade.
- **Sep 18, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 18, 2015:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.