

## HR 3754

Halting Government Overreach Act of 2015

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Law

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Scott, Austin [R-GA-8]

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

### Cosponsors

*No cosponsors are listed for this bill.*

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Nov 4, 2015
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### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Law

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

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This bill removes exceptions that prohibit a prevailing party other than the United States from being awarded fees and expenses incurred in a civil action (other than a tort action) brought by or against the United States, or in an agency adjudicatory proceeding, if the position of the United States was substantially justified or special circumstances make an award unjust.

The fees and expenses may be awarded if the prevailing party has a direct and personal interest in the action because of an injury that gave rise to the action.

The bill also removes requirements that make parties ineligible for such an award if their net worth exceeds a specified amount at the time the action was filed or the adjudication was initiated. Under the bill, parties may seek an award of fees and expenses regardless of their net worth.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Nov 4, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice.
- **Nov 4, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial And Antitrust Law.
- **Oct 9, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Oct 9, 2015:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.