

## HR 409

Stop Punishing Innocent Americans Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Social Welfare

**Introduced:** Jan 20, 2015

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial And Antitrust Law.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial And Antitrust Law. (Feb 5, 2015)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Buchanan, Vern [R-FL-16]

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

### Cosponsors

*No cosponsors are listed for this bill.*

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 5, 2015
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 27, 2015

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Social Welfare

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 S 204	Identical bill	<b>Jan 21, 2015:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

## **Stop Punishing Innocent Americans Act**

Reinstates the 10-year statute of limitations period applicable to the collection of amounts paid to Social Security beneficiaries by administrative offset. (This former statute of limitations was repealed effective May 22, 2008.)

Amends title II (Old Age, Survivors and Disability Insurance) (OASDI) of the Social Security Act (SSAct), with respect to overpayments under OASDI or SSAct title XVI (Supplementary Security Income) (SSI), to prevent the recovery of any such overpayments made to or on behalf of individuals under age 18 by shielding such individuals from liability for the repayment of such amounts.

Amends the Internal Revenue Code to prohibit any tax refund offset of Social Security overpayments made to or on behalf of a minor (under age 18).

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Feb 5, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial And Antitrust Law.
- **Jan 27, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Social Security.
- **Jan 20, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 20, 2015:** Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.