

## HR 4140

### SENIORS Act of 2015

**Congress:** 114 (2015–2017, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Social Welfare

**Introduced:** Dec 1, 2015

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Power.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Power. (Dec 4, 2015)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/114th-congress/house-bill/4140>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Guinta, Frank C. [R-NH-1]

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

### Cosponsors (8 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Sinema, Kyrsten [D-AZ-9]	D · AZ		Dec 1, 2015
Rep. Fincher, Stephen Lee [R-TN-8]	R · TN		Dec 10, 2015
Rep. Webster, Daniel [R-FL-10]	R · FL		Dec 10, 2015
Rep. Gibson, Christopher P. [R-NY-19]	R · NY		Jan 5, 2016
Rep. Nugent, Richard B. [R-FL-11]	R · FL		Feb 4, 2016
Rep. Kilmer, Derek [D-WA-6]	D · WA		Feb 23, 2016
Rep. Lance, Leonard [R-NJ-7]	R · NJ		Jun 21, 2016
Rep. Trott, David A. [R-MI-11]	R · MI		Sep 21, 2016

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Appropriations Committee	House	Referred To	Dec 1, 2015
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Dec 4, 2015
Financial Services Committee	House	Referred To	Dec 1, 2015
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Dec 2, 2015
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Dec 3, 2015
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Dec 1, 2015

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Social Welfare

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 HR 5297	Related bill	May 19, 2016: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.
114 HR 4722	Related bill	Mar 23, 2016: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 362.
114 HR 4012	Related bill	Dec 3, 2015: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
114 HR 4144	Related bill	Dec 3, 2015: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
114 S 2251	Related bill	Nov 5, 2015: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
114 HR 2956	Related bill	Jul 7, 2015: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.
114 HR 192	Related bill	Jan 7, 2015: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

## Summary (as of Dec 1, 2015)

### Saving the Earnings and Noting the Investment of Our Retired Seniors Act of 2015 or the SENIORS Act of 2015

This bill expresses the sense of Congress on a cost-of-living increase to Social Security benefits for seniors.

The Department of the Treasury shall disburse a one-time payment to certain individuals who are entitled to a benefit under title II (Old Age, Survivors and Disability Insurance) of the Social Security Act (SSAct), an annuity under the Railroad Retirement Act of 1974, or a veterans benefit, or are eligible for a cash benefit under SSAct title XVI (Supplemental Security Income).

The amount disbursed shall be 12% of the amount of such benefit payment or SSI cash benefit payable to the individual for November 2015.

The Internal Revenue Code is amended to require a Social Security number to claim the refundable portion of the child tax credit.

As offsets for these payments:

- all balances under the United States Enrichment Corporation Fund are hereby permanently rescinded;
- of the amounts obligated, but not expended, under the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008 for the Making Home Affordable Program, Treasury shall transfer \$2.5 million to the general fund of the Treasury; and
- of the funds made available to the Department of Energy under the Consolidated Security, Disaster Assistance, and Continuing Appropriations Act, 2009 for the Advanced Technology Vehicles Manufacturing Loan Program Account for the cost of direct loans as authorized by the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007, the unobligated balance is hereby rescinded.

## Actions Timeline

- **Dec 4, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Power.
- **Dec 3, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
- **Dec 2, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials.
- **Dec 1, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Dec 1, 2015:** Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Veterans' Affairs, Transportation and Infrastructure, Appropriations, Energy and Commerce, and Financial Services, 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.
- **Dec 1, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Social Security.