

## HR 4712

### Strengthening the Department of Homeland Security Secure Mail Initiative Act

**Congress:** 114 (2015–2017, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Government Operations and Politics

**Introduced:** Mar 3, 2016

**Current Status:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governm

**Latest Action:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. (Sep 22, 2016)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Speier, Jackie [D-CA-14]

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

### Cosponsors (13 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]	D · OR		Mar 3, 2016
Rep. Clarke, Yvette D. [D-NY-9]	D · NY		Mar 3, 2016
Rep. Conyers, John, Jr. [D-MI-13]	D · MI		Mar 3, 2016
Rep. Cummings, Elijah E. [D-MD-7]	D · MD		Mar 3, 2016
Rep. Lofgren, Zoe [D-CA-19]	D · CA		Mar 3, 2016
Rep. Quigley, Mike [D-IL-5]	D · IL		Mar 3, 2016
Rep. Woodall, Rob [R-GA-7]	R · GA		Mar 3, 2016
Rep. Carson, Andre [D-IN-7]	D · IN		Mar 15, 2016
Rep. Lee, Barbara [D-CA-13]	D · CA		Mar 15, 2016
Rep. Veasey, Marc A. [D-TX-33]	D · TX		Mar 15, 2016
Rep. Meng, Grace [D-NY-6]	D · NY		Mar 23, 2016
Rep. Ruppertsberger, C. A. Dutch [D-MD-2]	D · MD		Apr 12, 2016
Rep. Valadao, David G. [R-CA-21]	R · CA		Apr 15, 2016

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Sep 22, 2016
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 3, 2016
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 3, 2016

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 S 3490	Related bill	<b>Dec 1, 2016:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

## Summary (as of Sep 21, 2016)

### Strengthening the Department of Homeland Security Secure Mail Initiative Act

(Sec. 2) This bill requires the Department of Homeland Security to provide an option under the Secure Mail Initiative under which, for payment of a fee recouping costs, a person to whom a document is sent under such initiative may require the U.S. Postal Service to obtain a signature from that person in order to deliver the document.

### Actions Timeline

- **Sep 22, 2016:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
- **Sep 21, 2016:** Mr. Bishop (MI) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Sep 21, 2016:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H5774-5776)
- **Sep 21, 2016:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 4712.
- **Sep 21, 2016:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H5774)
- **Sep 21, 2016:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H5774)
- **Sep 21, 2016:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Mar 3, 2016:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 3, 2016:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, 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.