

HR 5053

Preventing IRS Abuse and Protecting Free Speech Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Taxation

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| Rep. Issa, Darrell E. [R-CA-49] | R · CA | | Jun 9, 2016 |
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| Rep. Price, Tom [R-GA-6] | R · GA | | Jun 9, 2016 |
| Rep. Reed, Tom [R-NY-23] | R · NY | | Jun 9, 2016 |
| Rep. Rice, Tom [R-SC-7] | R · SC | | Jun 9, 2016 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
|--------------------------|---------|-------------|--------------|
| Finance Committee | Senate | Referred To | Jun 15, 2016 |
| Ways and Means Committee | House | Reported By | Jun 9, 2016 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Taxation

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
|--------------|----------------|--|
| 114 HRES 778 | Related bill | Jun 14, 2016: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection. |
| 114 S 3057 | Identical bill | Jun 14, 2016: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. |

(This measure has not been amended since it was reported to the House on June 9, 2016. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

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(Sec. 2) This bill amends the Internal Revenue Code to prohibit the Internal Revenue Service from requiring a tax-exempt organization to include in annual returns the name, address, or other identifying information of any contributor.

The bill includes exceptions for: (1) required disclosures regarding prohibited tax shelter transactions; and (2) contributions by the organization's officers, directors, or five highest compensated employees (including compensation paid by related organizations).

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 15, 2016:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
- **Jun 14, 2016:** UNANIMOUS CONSENT - Mr. Brady (TX) asked unanimous consent that the question on adoption of the motion to recommit on H.R. 5053 be subject to postponement as though under Clause 8 of Rule 20. Agreed to without objection.
- **Jun 14, 2016:** Considered under the provisions of rule H. Res. 778. (consideration: CR H3777-3784)
- **Jun 14, 2016:** The resolution provides for 1 hour of general debate on both bills.
- **Jun 14, 2016:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on H.R. 5053.
- **Jun 14, 2016:** The previous question was ordered pursuant to the rule. (consideration: CR H3783)
- **Jun 14, 2016:** Mr. Sarbanes moved to recommit with instructions to the Committee on Ways and Means. (consideration: CR H3783-3784; text: CR H3784)
- **Jun 14, 2016:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Sarbanes motion to recommit with instructions. The instructions contained in the motion seek to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment to insert a section prohibiting against the IRS requiring 501(c) organizations contributor identity when a 501(c) organization directly or indirectly participates in any political campaign.
- **Jun 14, 2016:** The previous question on the motion to recommit with instructions was ordered without objection. (consideration: CR H3784)
- **Jun 14, 2016:** POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of debate on the Sarbanes motion to recommit with instructions, the Chair put the question on adoption of the motion and by voice vote announced that the noes had prevailed. Mr. Sarbanes demanded the yeas and nays, and the Chair postponed further proceedings on the motion to recommit until later in the legislative day.
- **Jun 14, 2016:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H3785-3786)
- **Jun 14, 2016:** On motion to recommit with instructions Failed by the Yeas and Nays: 180 - 238 (Roll no. 302).
- **Jun 14, 2016:** Passed/agreed to in House: On passage Passed by recorded vote: 240 - 182 (Roll no. 303).(text: CR H3777-3778)
- **Jun 14, 2016:** On passage Passed by recorded vote: 240 - 182 (Roll no. 303). (text: CR H3777-3778)
- **Jun 14, 2016:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jun 13, 2016:** Rules Committee Resolution H. Res. 778 Reported to House. The resolution provides for 1 hour of general debate on both bills.
- **Jun 9, 2016:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Ways and Means. H. Rept. 114-612.
- **Jun 9, 2016:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 475.
- **Apr 28, 2016:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Apr 28, 2016:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 23 - 15.
- **Apr 26, 2016:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 26, 2016:** Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.