

## HR 5515

### EPIC Act

**Congress:** 114 (2015–2017, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Taxation

**Introduced:** Jun 16, 2016

**Current Status:** Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on House Administration

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on House Administration, 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. (Jun 16, 2016)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Kilmer, Derek [D-WA-6]

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

### Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Hanna, Richard L. [R-NY-22]	R · NY		Jun 16, 2016
Rep. Capuano, Michael E. [D-MA-7]	D · MA		Jul 13, 2016

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Committee on House Administration	House	Referred To	Jun 16, 2016
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Jun 16, 2016

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Taxation

### Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

## **Election Protection & Integrity Certification Act or the EPIC Act**

This bill amends the Internal Revenue Code to require an organization applying for tax-exempt status to certify that it will not: (1) use foreign funds to make certain expenditures in connection with an election, a political party, or an electioneering communication; or (2) solicit, accept, or receive a contribution or donation from a foreign national for an election or a political party.

A tax-exempt organization must certify in its annual tax return that it has not violated the requirements described above.

The Government Accountability Office must study the political activities of corporations to determine whether foreign money is being used in U.S elections.

The bill amends the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to require tax-exempt organizations filing certain reports regarding disbursements for independent expenditures or electioneering communications to certify that foreign funds were not used for the disbursements.

## **Actions Timeline**

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