

HR 5790

Federal Bureau of Investigation Whistleblower Protection Enhancement Act of 2016

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Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Chaffetz, Jason [R-UT-3]

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

Cosponsors (12 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Blum, Rod [R-IA-1]	R · IA		Jul 14, 2016
Rep. Coffman, Mike [R-CO-6]	R · CO		Jul 14, 2016
Rep. Conyers, John, Jr. [D-MI-13]	D · MI		Jul 14, 2016
Rep. Cummings, Elijah E. [D-MD-7]	D · MD		Jul 14, 2016
Rep. Jeffries, Hakeem S. [D-NY-8]	D · NY		Jul 14, 2016
Rep. Poe, Ted [R-TX-2]	R · TX		Jul 14, 2016
Rep. Rice, Tom [R-SC-7]	R · SC		Jul 14, 2016
Rep. Sensenbrenner, F. James, Jr. [R-WI-5]	R · WI		Jul 14, 2016
Rep. Speier, Jackie [D-CA-14]	D · CA		Jul 14, 2016
Rep. Lynch, Stephen F. [D-MA-8]	D · MA		Sep 6, 2016
Rep. Van Hollen, Chris [D-MD-8]	D · MD		Sep 21, 2016
Rep. Rice, Kathleen M. [D-NY-4]	D · NY		Sep 26, 2016

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Reported By	Nov 29, 2016

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 S 2390	Related bill	May 25, 2016: By Senator Grassley from Committee on the Judiciary filed written report. Report No. 114-261.

Summary (as of Dec 16, 2016)

Federal Bureau of Investigation Whistleblower Protection Enhancement Act of 2016

(Sec. 2) This bill revises a provision with respect to whistle-blower protections for a Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) employee or job applicant who discloses wrongdoing to an appropriate official.

It prohibits an FBI employee from taking or failing to take a personnel action (e.g., demotion) with respect to an FBI employee or applicant because of a protected disclosure. A protected disclosure is a disclosure of information to an appropriate official which an employee or applicant reasonably believes evidences: (1) a violation of a law, rule, or regulation; or (2) waste, fraud, or abuse.

Additionally, the bill expands the list of appropriate officials who may receive a protected disclosure to include, among others, a supervisor in an employee's direct chain of command.

Actions Timeline

- Dec 16, 2016: Signed by President.
- Dec 16, 2016: Became Public Law No: 114-302.
- Dec 15, 2016: Presented to President.
- Dec 12, 2016: Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- Dec 10, 2016: Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Voice Vote.(consideration: CR S7128-7131)
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- Dec 7, 2016: Mr. Chaffetz moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- Dec 7, 2016: Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H7312-7313)
- Dec 7, 2016: DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 5790.
- Dec 7, 2016: At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- Dec 7, 2016: Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H7326)
- Dec 7, 2016: Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 404 - 0 (Roll no. 616).(text: CR H7312-7313)
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- Dec 7, 2016: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- Dec 7, 2016: Received in the Senate, read twice.
- Nov 29, 2016: Reported by the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. H. Rept. 114-835.
- Nov 29, 2016: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 656.
- Sep 15, 2016: Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- Sep 15, 2016: Ordered to be Reported by Unanimous Consent.
- Jul 14, 2016: Introduced in House
- Jul 14, 2016: Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.