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Strengthening Social Security Act of 2016

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 8, 2016
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Sep 12, 2016

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Social Welfare

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 HR 5892	Related bill	Aug 3, 2016: Referred to the Subcommittee on Social Security.
114 S 2293	Related bill	Nov 17, 2015: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
114 HR 1811	Related bill	Nov 16, 2015: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.
114 S 1940	Related bill	Aug 5, 2015: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
114 S 960	Related bill	Apr 15, 2015: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Strengthening Social Security Act of 2016

This bill amends the Internal Revenue Code to prescribe special rules for the determination of taxable wages and self-employment income above the contribution and benefit base after 2016.

Title II (Old Age, Survivors and Disability Insurance) (OASDI) of the Social Security Act (SSAct) is amended to: (1) increase from 90% to 95% over five years the first bend point factor used in determining the primary OASDI insurance amount; and (2) include surplus average indexed monthly earnings in the determination of such amounts.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics of the Department of Labor shall prepare and publish the Consumer Price Index for Elderly Consumers (CPI-EC) that indicates changes over time in expenditures for consumption which are typical for individuals in the United States who have attained early retirement age for purposes of an old-age, wife's, or husband's insurance benefit. The bill amends the SSAct to make the CPI-EC the applicable Consumer Price Index for computation of cost-of-living increases in OASDI benefits for such individuals.

The bill revises OASDI benefits for a widow or widower to provide benefits at a level equal to at least 75% of the amount received prior to the death of a spouse.

The bill prevents any decrease in the benefit level of supplemental security income recipients resulting from any increase in other social security benefits in this bill.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 12, 2016:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Social Security.
- **Sep 8, 2016:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 8, 2016:** Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, 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.