

HR 6476

DRAIN the SWAMP Act

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Cicilline, David N. [D-RI-1]	D · RI		Dec 8, 2016
Rep. Gabbard, Tulsi [D-HI-2]	D · HI		Dec 8, 2016
Rep. Kaptur, Marcy [D-OH-9]	D · OH		Dec 8, 2016
Rep. Slaughter, Louise McIntosh [D-NY-25]	D · NY		Dec 8, 2016

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Dec 22, 2016

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Deter Revolving-door Appointments in our Nation; Stop Washington Appointees from becoming Manipulative Petitioners Act or the DRAIN the SWAMP Act

This bill amends the federal criminal code to revise post-employment lobbying restrictions on senior executive branch officials and employees.

Specifically, it imposes a five-year ban on communications by a former political appointee with the intent to influence officers or employees at their former executive branch agency or department.

The term political appointee includes certain senior political officials compensated on the Executive Schedule; limited term, limited emergency, and noncareer appointees in the Senior Executive Service; and employees in confidential or policy-determining positions in the excepted service.

Additionally, the bill amends the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938 to impose a lifetime ban on lobbying by a former political appointee on behalf of a foreign government or foreign political party.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 22, 2016:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice.
- **Dec 8, 2016:** Introduced in House
- **Dec 8, 2016:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H7401-7402)
- **Dec 8, 2016:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.