

## S 708

### Regulatory Improvement Act of 2015

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Government Operations and Politics

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**Current Status:** Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 114-637.

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. King, Angus S., Jr. [I-ME]

**Party:** Independent • **State:** ME • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Blunt, Roy [R-MO]	R · MO		Mar 11, 2015
Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH]	D · NH		Mar 11, 2015
Sen. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS]	R · MS		Mar 11, 2015
Sen. Heitkamp, Heidi [D-ND]	D · ND		Jan 19, 2016
Sen. Lankford, James [R-OK]	R · OK		Jan 19, 2016

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Hearings By (full committee)	Sep 16, 2015
Small Business and Entrepreneurship Committee	Senate	Hearings By (full committee)	Apr 27, 2016

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 HR 6325	Related bill	<b>Nov 16, 2016:</b> Referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, 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.
114 HR 1407	Related bill	<b>Mar 17, 2015:</b> Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, 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.

## **Regulatory Improvement Act of 2015**

Establishes in the legislative branch the Regulatory Improvement Commission.

Requires the Commission to evaluate and make recommendations and propose legislation for modification, consolidation, or repeal of regulations that have been finalized not later than 10 years before the establishment of the Commission (covered regulations) for the purpose of reducing compliance costs, encouraging growth and innovation, improving competitiveness, and protecting public safety.

Requires the Commission to give priority to covered regulations that: (1) impose disproportionately high costs on a small entity, (2) create substantial recurring paperwork burdens or transaction costs, or (3) could be made more effective while reducing regulatory costs.

Sets forth reporting requirements for the Commission and procedures for congressional consideration of Commission reports and recommendations and proposed legislation.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Apr 27, 2016:** Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 114-637.
- **Sep 16, 2015:** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 114-480.
- **Mar 11, 2015:** Introduced in Senate
- **Mar 11, 2015:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.