

HR 1549

Foreign Business Bribery Prohibition Act of 2017

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Commerce

Introduced: Mar 15, 2017

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice. (Mar 31, 2017)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Perlmutter, Ed [D-CO-7]

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

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 17, 2017
Financial Services Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 15, 2017
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 31, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Commerce

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Mar 15, 2017)

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This bill amends the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977 (FCPA) to authorize private rights of action against persons that violate the FCPA's anti-bribery provisions, which prohibit giving things of value to foreign officials or political parties for purposes of obtaining or retaining business. A person that violates the FCPA's anti-bribery provisions shall be liable for up to treble damages to a securities issuer, domestic business concern, or U.S. person damaged by the violation.

A plaintiff must prove an FCPA anti-bribery violation by the defendant that: (1) prevented the plaintiff from obtaining or retaining business, and (2) assisted the defendant in obtaining or retaining such business.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 31, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice.
- **Mar 17, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Digital Commerce and Consumer Protection.
- **Mar 15, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 15, 2017:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary, and Financial Services, 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.