

## HR 1659

Stop Taxing Death and Disability Act

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Taxation

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**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/1659>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Roskam, Peter J. [R-IL-6]

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

### Cosponsors (16 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Bonamici, Suzanne [D-OR-1]	D · OR		Mar 21, 2017
Rep. Costello, Ryan A. [R-PA-6]	R · PA		Mar 21, 2017
Rep. Kind, Ron [D-WI-3]	D · WI		Mar 21, 2017
Rep. Maloney, Sean Patrick [D-NY-18]	D · NY		Mar 21, 2017
Rep. Pascrell, Bill, Jr. [D-NJ-9]	D · NJ		Mar 21, 2017
Rep. Pingree, Chellie [D-ME-1]	D · ME		Mar 21, 2017
Rep. Reichert, David G. [R-WA-8]	R · WA		Mar 21, 2017
Rep. Renacci, James B. [R-OH-16]	R · OH		Mar 21, 2017
Rep. Langevin, James R. [D-RI-2]	D · RI		Apr 25, 2017
Rep. Carbajal, Salud O. [D-CA-24]	D · CA		May 11, 2017
Rep. Loebsack, David [D-IA-2]	D · IA		May 11, 2017
Rep. Meehan, Patrick [R-PA-7]	R · PA		Jun 27, 2017
Rep. Doyle, Michael F. [D-PA-14]	D · PA		Jul 19, 2017
Rep. Jenkins, Lynn [R-KS-2]	R · KS		Oct 19, 2017
Rep. Moolenaar, John R. [R-MI-4]	R · MI		Oct 25, 2017
Rep. Aguilar, Pete [D-CA-31]	D · CA		Apr 26, 2018

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 21, 2017
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 21, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Taxation

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 1	Related bill	<b>Dec 22, 2017:</b> Became Public Law No: 115-97.
115 S 2258	Related bill	<b>Dec 20, 2017:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
115 S 405	Related bill	<b>Feb 16, 2017:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Summary (as of Mar 21, 2017)

Stop Taxing Death and Disability Act

This bill amends the Internal Revenue Code to exclude from the gross income of an individual the discharge of student loans or private education loans due to the death or disability of the student.

The bill also amends the Higher Education Act of 1965 to require the Department of Education (ED) to discharge the liability on loans that parents received on behalf of a student who: (1) has become permanently and totally disabled, or (2) is unable to engage in any substantial gainful activity due to a physical or mental impairment that can be expected to result in death or has lasted or is expected to last continuously for at least 60 months. (Under current law, ED is required to discharge the loans to parents if the student dies.)

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 21, 2017:** Introduced in House
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