

## HR 167

### Teacher Victims' Family Assistance Act of 2017

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Education

**Introduced:** Jan 3, 2017

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations. (Jan 13, 2017)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/167>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Hastings, Alcee L. [D-FL-20]

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

### Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Wilson, Frederica S. [D-FL-24]	D · FL		Jan 11, 2017
Rep. Chu, Judy [D-CA-27]	D · CA		Jan 23, 2017
Rep. DeSaulnier, Mark [D-CA-11]	D · CA		Jan 23, 2017
Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		Jan 31, 2017
Rep. Moore, Gwen [D-WI-4]	D · WI		Jan 31, 2017

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Jan 3, 2017
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 13, 2017
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Jan 3, 2017

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Education

### Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

## **Teacher Victims' Family Assistance Act of 2017**

This bill directs the Department of Education to provide assistance to the immediate families of teachers or other elementary and secondary school employees who are killed by another person's violent act while performing school duties. Such assistance includes funeral assistance, a death benefit, living assistance, and undergraduate education assistance for dependents.

The bill amends the Internal Revenue Code to exempt from income tax: (1) the victim's compensation from school employment in the year of death, and (2) the victim's family assistance.

The bill also establishes the Teacher Victims' Family Trust Fund funded with an excise tax increase on ammunition.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jan 13, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations.
- **Jan 3, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 3, 2017:** Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Education and the Workforce, and the Judiciary, 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.