

## HR 1849

Practice of Law Technical Clarification Act of 2017

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Finance and Financial Sector

**Introduced:** Apr 3, 2017

**Current Status:** Hearings Held by the Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit Prior to Referral.

**Latest Action:** Hearings Held by the Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit Prior to Referral. (Sep 7, 2017)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/1849>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Trott, David A. [R-MI-11]

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

### Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Bishop, Mike [R-MI-8]	R · MI		Apr 20, 2017
Rep. Gonzalez, Vicente [D-TX-15]	D · TX		Oct 12, 2017
Rep. Mooney, Alexander X. [R-WV-2]	R · WV		Nov 1, 2017

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Financial Services Committee	House	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Sep 7, 2017

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Finance and Financial Sector

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 5082	Related bill	<b>Aug 7, 2018:</b> Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 690.
115 HR 4550	Identical bill	<b>Dec 5, 2017:</b> Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

## **Practice of Law Technical Clarification Act of 2017**

This bill amends the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act to exclude from the definition of "debt collector" any law firm or licensed attorney: (1) serving, filing, or conveying formal legal pleadings, discovery requests, or other documents pursuant to the applicable rules of civil procedure; or (2) communicating in connection with a legal action to collect a debt on behalf of a client in, or at the direction of, a court of law or in the enforcement of a judgment.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Sep 7, 2017:** Hearings Held by the Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit Prior to Referral.
- **Apr 3, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 3, 2017:** Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.