

HR 256

Protect Our Military Families' 2nd Amendment Rights Act

Congress: 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

Introduced: Jan 4, 2017

Current Status: ASSUMING FIRST SPONSORSHIP - Mr. Hunter asked unanimous consent that he may hereafter be considered

Latest Action: ASSUMING FIRST SPONSORSHIP - Mr. Hunter asked unanimous consent that he may hereafter be considered as the first sponsor of H.R. 256, a bill originally introduced by former Representative Farenthold, for purposes of adding cosponsors and requesting reprintings pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII. Agreed to without objection. (Apr 25, 2018)

Official Text: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/256>

Sponsor

Name: Rep. Farenthold, Blake [R-TX-27]

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

Cosponsors (17 total)

| Cosponsor | Party / State | Role | Date Joined |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|------|--------------|
| Rep. Gohmert, Louie [R-TX-1] | R · TX | | Jan 24, 2017 |
| Rep. Allen, Rick W. [R-GA-12] | R · GA | | Mar 15, 2017 |
| Rep. McKinley, David B. [R-WV-1] | R · WV | | Apr 26, 2017 |
| Rep. Meadows, Mark [R-NC-11] | R · NC | | Apr 26, 2017 |
| Rep. Sessions, Pete [R-TX-32] | R · TX | | Apr 26, 2017 |
| Rep. Stewart, Chris [R-UT-2] | R · UT | | Apr 26, 2017 |
| Rep. King, Steve [R-IA-4] | R · IA | | Apr 27, 2017 |
| Rep. Ratcliffe, John [R-TX-4] | R · TX | | Apr 27, 2017 |
| Rep. Stefanik, Elise M. [R-NY-21] | R · NY | | Apr 27, 2017 |
| Rep. Olson, Pete [R-TX-22] | R · TX | | May 3, 2017 |
| Rep. Palazzo, Steven M. [R-MS-4] | R · MS | | May 3, 2017 |
| Rep. Poliquin, Bruce [R-ME-2] | R · ME | | May 3, 2017 |
| Rep. Hice, Jody B. [R-GA-10] | R · GA | | May 18, 2017 |
| Rep. Rokita, Todd [R-IN-4] | R · IN | | May 18, 2017 |
| Rep. Babin, Brian [R-TX-36] | R · TX | | Jun 6, 2017 |
| Rep. Newhouse, Dan [R-WA-4] | R · WA | | Jun 6, 2017 |
| Rep. Carter, Earl L. "Buddy" [R-GA-1] | R · GA | | Jul 25, 2017 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
|---------------------|---------|-------------|--------------|
| Judiciary Committee | House | Referred to | Jan 10, 2017 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
|-------------|----------------|--|
| 115 HR 5515 | Related bill | Aug 13, 2018: Became Public Law No: 115-232. |
| 115 S 394 | Identical bill | Feb 15, 2017: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services. |

Summary (as of Jan 4, 2017)

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This bill amends the federal criminal code to allow a licensed gun dealer, importer, or manufacturer to sell or ship a firearm to the spouse of a member of the U.S. Armed Forces on active duty. (Current law already allows a licensed dealer, importer, or manufacturer to sell a firearm to a member of the U.S. Armed Forces on active duty.)

The bill also specifies that, for purposes of federal firearms laws, a member of the U.S. Armed Forces on active duty, or his or her spouse, is a resident of the state in which: (1) the member or spouse maintains legal residence, (2) the permanent duty station of the member is located, and (3) the member maintains a home from which he or she commutes to the permanent duty station.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 25, 2018:** ASSUMING FIRST SPONSORSHIP - Mr. Hunter asked unanimous consent that he may hereafter be considered as the first sponsor of H.R. 256, a bill originally introduced by former Representative Farenthold, for purposes of adding cosponsors and requesting reprintings pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII. Agreed to without objection.
- **Jan 12, 2017:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H396)
- **Jan 10, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations.
- **Jan 4, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 4, 2017:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.