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Presidential Tax Transparency Act

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]

Party: Democratic • **State:** OR • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (23 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Baldwin, Tammy [D-WI]	D · WI		Jan 4, 2017
Sen. Bennet, Michael F. [D-CO]	D · CO		Jan 4, 2017
Sen. Cardin, Benjamin L. [D-MD]	D · MD		Jan 4, 2017
Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]	D · CA		Jan 4, 2017
Sen. Kaine, Tim [D-VA]	D · VA		Jan 4, 2017
Sen. Merkley, Jeff [D-OR]	D · OR		Jan 4, 2017
Sen. Murphy, Christopher [D-CT]	D · CT		Jan 4, 2017
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		Jan 4, 2017
Sen. Udall, Tom [D-NM]	D · NM		Jan 4, 2017
Sen. Warren, Elizabeth [D-MA]	D · MA		Jan 4, 2017
Sen. Franken, Al [D-MN]	D · MN		Jan 23, 2017
Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Jan 23, 2017
Sen. Markey, Edward J. [D-MA]	D · MA		Jan 23, 2017
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		Jan 24, 2017
Sen. Carper, Thomas R. [D-DE]	D · DE		Jan 30, 2017
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	D · VT		Jan 30, 2017
Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Feb 6, 2017
Sen. Cantwell, Maria [D-WA]	D · WA		Feb 15, 2017
Sen. Coons, Christopher A. [D-DE]	D · DE		Feb 17, 2017
Sen. Van Hollen, Chris [D-MD]	D · MD		Mar 21, 2017
Sen. Booker, Cory A. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Apr 7, 2017
Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH]	D · NH		Jun 20, 2018
Sen. Harris, Kamala D. [D-CA]	D · CA		Jul 19, 2018

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Rules and Administration Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jan 4, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 7167	Related bill	Nov 20, 2018: Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary, and Ways and Means, 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.
115 S 3357	Related bill	Aug 21, 2018: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
115 S 1880	Related bill	Sep 27, 2017: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
115 HR 305	Identical bill	Apr 5, 2017: Motion to Discharge Committee filed by Ms. Eshoo. Petition No: 115-1. (Discharge petition text with signatures.)
115 HR 371	Related bill	Feb 6, 2017: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice.
115 S 65	Related bill	Jan 9, 2017: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

Summary (as of Jan 4, 2017)

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This bill amends the Ethics in Government Act of 1978 to require the President and certain candidates for President to disclose federal income tax returns for the three most recent taxable years in reports filed with either the Office of Government Ethics (OGE) or the Federal Election Commission (FEC), in the case of a candidate.

The OGE or the FEC must make the disclosed tax returns publicly available after making appropriate redactions. If the income tax returns are not disclosed as required by this bill, the OGE or the FEC must request the returns from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).

The bill amends the Internal Revenue Code to require the IRS, upon receiving a written request from the FEC or the OGE, to provide any income tax return that is required to be disclosed under this bill.

The bill also establishes civil and criminal penalties for failing to file or falsifying income tax returns that are required to be disclosed pursuant to this bill.

Actions Timeline

- **Jan 4, 2017:** Introduced in Senate
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