

HR 3654

Special Counsel Independence Protection Act

Congress: 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

Introduced: Aug 15, 2017

Current Status: Motion to Discharge Committee filed by Ms. Jackson Lee. Petition No: 115-9. (<http://clerk.h>

Latest Action: Motion to Discharge Committee filed by Ms. Jackson Lee. Petition No: 115-9. (<http://clerk.house.gov/115/lrc/pd/petitions/DisPet0009.xml>">Discharge petition text with signatures.) (Mar 22, 2018)

Official Text: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/3654>

Sponsor

Name: Rep. Jackson Lee, Sheila [D-TX-18]

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

Cosponsors (153 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		Nov 28, 2017
Rep. Bass, Karen [D-CA-37]	D · CA		Dec 7, 2017
Rep. Beatty, Joyce [D-OH-3]	D · OH		Dec 7, 2017
Rep. Butterfield, G. K. [D-NC-1]	D · NC		Dec 7, 2017
Rep. Cicilline, David N. [D-RI-1]	D · RI		Dec 7, 2017
Rep. Davis, Danny K. [D-IL-7]	D · IL		Dec 7, 2017
Rep. Doggett, Lloyd [D-TX-35]	D · TX		Dec 7, 2017
Rep. Ellison, Keith [D-MN-5]	D · MN		Dec 7, 2017
Rep. Hastings, Alcee L. [D-FL-20]	D · FL		Dec 7, 2017
Rep. Jayapal, Pramila [D-WA-7]	D · WA		Dec 7, 2017
Rep. Jeffries, Hakeem S. [D-NY-8]	D · NY		Dec 7, 2017
Rep. Johnson, Henry C. "Hank," Jr. [D-GA-4]	D · GA		Dec 7, 2017
Rep. Lee, Barbara [D-CA-13]	D · CA		Dec 7, 2017
Rep. Lewis, John [D-GA-5]	D · GA		Dec 7, 2017
Rep. Lieu, Ted [D-CA-33]	D · CA		Dec 7, 2017
Rep. Moore, Gwen [D-WI-4]	D · WI		Dec 7, 2017
Rep. Perlmutter, Ed [D-CO-7]	D · CO		Dec 7, 2017
Rep. Raskin, Jamie [D-MD-8]	D · MD		Dec 7, 2017
Rep. Shea-Porter, Carol [D-NH-1]	D · NH		Dec 7, 2017
Rep. Takano, Mark [D-CA-41]	D · CA		Dec 7, 2017
Rep. Thompson, Bennie G. [D-MS-2]	D · MS		Dec 7, 2017
Rep. DeFazio, Peter A. [D-OR-4]	D · OR		Jan 18, 2018
Rep. DeSaulnier, Mark [D-CA-11]	D · CA		Jan 18, 2018
Rep. Kaptur, Marcy [D-OH-9]	D · OH		Jan 18, 2018
Rep. McCollum, Betty [D-MN-4]	D · MN		Jan 18, 2018
Rep. McGovern, James P. [D-MA-2]	D · MA		Jan 18, 2018
Rep. Velazquez, Nydia M. [D-NY-7]	D · NY		Jan 18, 2018
Rep. Walz, Timothy J. [D-MN-1]	D · MN		Jan 18, 2018
Rep. Wilson, Frederica S. [D-FL-24]	D · FL		Jan 18, 2018
Rep. Lowenthal, Alan S. [D-CA-47]	D · CA		Jan 19, 2018
Rep. Watson Coleman, Bonnie [D-NJ-12]	D · NJ		Jan 19, 2018
Rep. Barragan, Nanette Diaz [D-CA-44]	D · CA		Jan 30, 2018
Rep. Beyer, Donald S., Jr. [D-VA-8]	D · VA		Jan 30, 2018
Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]	D · OR		Jan 30, 2018
Rep. Boyle, Brendan F. [D-PA-13]	D · PA		Jan 30, 2018
Rep. Carbajal, Salud O. [D-CA-24]	D · CA		Jan 30, 2018
Rep. Evans, Dwight [D-PA-2]	D · PA		Jan 30, 2018
Rep. Garamendi, John [D-CA-3]	D · CA		Jan 30, 2018
Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-3]	D · AZ		Jan 30, 2018
Rep. Higgins, Brian [D-NY-26]	D · NY		Jan 30, 2018
Rep. Khanna, Ro [D-CA-17]	D · CA		Jan 30, 2018

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Rep. Kihuen, Ruben J. [D-NV-4]	D · NV		Jan 30, 2018
Rep. Krishnamoorthi, Raja [D-IL-8]	D · IL		Jan 30, 2018
Rep. Maloney, Carolyn B. [D-NY-12]	D · NY		Jan 30, 2018
Rep. McEachin, A. Donald [D-VA-4]	D · VA		Jan 30, 2018
Rep. Moulton, Seth [D-MA-6]	D · MA		Jan 30, 2018
Rep. Nadler, Jerrold [D-NY-10]	D · NY		Jan 30, 2018
Rep. Payne, Donald M., Jr. [D-NJ-10]	D · NJ		Jan 30, 2018
Rep. Pingree, Chellie [D-ME-1]	D · ME		Jan 30, 2018
Rep. Pocan, Mark [D-WI-2]	D · WI		Jan 30, 2018
Rep. Rush, Bobby L. [D-IL-1]	D · IL		Jan 30, 2018
Rep. Schakowsky, Janice D. [D-IL-9]	D · IL		Jan 30, 2018
Rep. Serrano, Jose E. [D-NY-15]	D · NY		Jan 30, 2018
Rep. Smith, Adam [D-WA-9]	D · WA		Jan 30, 2018
Rep. Welch, Peter [D-VT-At Large]	D · VT		Jan 30, 2018
Rep. Clay, Wm. Lacy [D-MO-1]	D · MO		Feb 2, 2018
Rep. Correa, J. Luis [D-CA-46]	D · CA		Feb 2, 2018
Rep. Demings, Val Butler [D-FL-10]	D · FL		Feb 2, 2018
Rep. Engel, Eliot L. [D-NY-16]	D · NY		Feb 2, 2018
Rep. Keating, William R. [D-MA-9]	D · MA		Feb 2, 2018
Rep. Lofgren, Zoe [D-CA-19]	D · CA		Feb 2, 2018
Rep. Meeks, Gregory W. [D-NY-5]	D · NY		Feb 2, 2018
Rep. Nolan, Richard M. [D-MN-8]	D · MN		Feb 2, 2018
Rep. Schrader, Kurt [D-OR-5]	D · OR		Feb 2, 2018
Rep. Scott, David [D-GA-13]	D · GA		Feb 2, 2018
Rep. Sherman, Brad [D-CA-30]	D · CA		Feb 2, 2018
Rep. Sires, Albio [D-NJ-8]	D · NJ		Feb 2, 2018
Rep. Soto, Darren [D-FL-9]	D · FL		Feb 2, 2018
Rep. Dingell, Debbie [D-MI-12]	D · MI		Feb 5, 2018
Rep. Eshoo, Anna G. [D-CA-18]	D · CA		Feb 5, 2018
Rep. Espaillat, Adriano [D-NY-13]	D · NY		Feb 5, 2018
Rep. Hanabusa, Colleen [D-HI-1]	D · HI		Feb 5, 2018
Rep. Napolitano, Grace F. [D-CA-32]	D · CA		Feb 5, 2018
Rep. Ryan, Tim [D-OH-13]	D · OH		Feb 5, 2018
Rep. Wasserman Schultz, Debbie [D-FL-23]	D · FL		Feb 5, 2018
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Feb 6, 2018
Rep. Brownley, Julia [D-CA-26]	D · CA		Feb 6, 2018
Rep. Cárdenas, Tony [D-CA-29]	D · CA		Feb 6, 2018
Rep. Castor, Kathy [D-FL-14]	D · FL		Feb 6, 2018
Rep. Clarke, Yvette D. [D-NY-9]	D · NY		Feb 6, 2018
Rep. DeGette, Diana [D-CO-1]	D · CO		Feb 6, 2018
Rep. Deutch, Theodore E. [D-FL-22]	D · FL		Feb 6, 2018
Rep. Gomez, Jimmy [D-CA-34]	D · CA		Feb 6, 2018

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Rep. Gutierrez, Luis V. [D-IL-4]	D · IL		Feb 6, 2018
Rep. Kildee, Daniel T. [D-MI-5]	D · MI		Feb 6, 2018
Rep. Lujan Grisham, Michelle [D-NM-1]	D · NM		Feb 6, 2018
Rep. Matsui, Doris O. [D-CA-6]	D · CA		Feb 6, 2018
Rep. Pallone, Frank, Jr. [D-NJ-6]	D · NJ		Feb 6, 2018
Rep. Panetta, Jimmy [D-CA-20]	D · CA		Feb 6, 2018
Rep. Peters, Scott H. [D-CA-52]	D · CA		Feb 6, 2018
Rep. Yarmuth, John A. [D-KY-3]	D · KY		Feb 6, 2018
Rep. Brady, Robert A. [D-PA-1]	D · PA		Feb 7, 2018
Rep. Capuano, Michael E. [D-MA-7]	D · MA		Feb 7, 2018
Rep. Gabbard, Tulsi [D-HI-2]	D · HI		Feb 7, 2018
Rep. Lawrence, Brenda L. [D-MI-14]	D · MI		Feb 7, 2018
Rep. Adams, Alma S. [D-NC-12]	D · NC		Feb 13, 2018
Rep. Crist, Charlie [D-FL-13]	D · FL		Feb 13, 2018
Rep. Cummings, Elijah E. [D-MD-7]	D · MD		Feb 13, 2018
Rep. Lujan, Ben Ray [D-NM-3]	D · NM		Feb 13, 2018
Rep. O'Rourke, Beto [D-TX-16]	D · TX		Feb 13, 2018
Rep. Price, David E. [D-NC-4]	D · NC		Feb 13, 2018
Rep. Schiff, Adam B. [D-CA-28]	D · CA		Feb 13, 2018
Rep. Brown, Anthony G. [D-MD-4]	D · MD		Feb 14, 2018
Rep. Clark, Katherine M. [D-MA-5]	D · MA		Feb 14, 2018
Rep. Heck, Denny [D-WA-10]	D · WA		Feb 14, 2018
Rep. Slaughter, Louise McIntosh [D-NY-25]	D · NY		Feb 14, 2018
Rep. Speier, Jackie [D-CA-14]	D · CA		Feb 14, 2018
Rep. Bishop, Sanford D., Jr. [D-GA-2]	D · GA		Feb 23, 2018
Rep. Chu, Judy [D-CA-27]	D · CA		Feb 23, 2018
Rep. Lynch, Stephen F. [D-MA-8]	D · MA		Feb 23, 2018
Rep. Norcross, Donald [D-NJ-1]	D · NJ		Feb 23, 2018
Rep. Tsongas, Niki [D-MA-3]	D · MA		Feb 23, 2018
Rep. Davis, Susan A. [D-CA-53]	D · CA		Feb 26, 2018
Rep. DeLauro, Rosa L. [D-CT-3]	D · CT		Feb 26, 2018
Rep. Johnson, Eddie Bernice [D-TX-30]	D · TX		Feb 27, 2018
Rep. Tonko, Paul [D-NY-20]	D · NY		Feb 27, 2018
Rep. Kennedy, Joseph P., III [D-MA-4]	D · MA		Mar 5, 2018
Rep. Bonamici, Suzanne [D-OR-1]	D · OR		Mar 13, 2018
Rep. Gallego, Ruben [D-AZ-7]	D · AZ		Mar 19, 2018
Rep. Lowey, Nita M. [D-NY-17]	D · NY		Mar 19, 2018
Rep. Quigley, Mike [D-IL-5]	D · IL		Mar 19, 2018
Rep. Rice, Kathleen M. [D-NY-4]	D · NY		Mar 19, 2018
Rep. Roybal-Allard, Lucille [D-CA-40]	D · CA		Mar 19, 2018
Rep. Sarbanes, John P. [D-MD-3]	D · MD		Mar 19, 2018
Rep. Thompson, Mike [D-CA-5]	D · CA		Mar 19, 2018

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Rep. Vargas, Juan [D-CA-51]	D · CA		Mar 19, 2018
Rep. Vela, Filemon [D-TX-34]	D · TX		Mar 19, 2018
Rep. Esty, Elizabeth H. [D-CT-5]	D · CT		Mar 20, 2018
Rep. Schneider, Bradley Scott [D-IL-10]	D · IL		Mar 20, 2018
Rep. Titus, Dina [D-NV-1]	D · NV		Mar 20, 2018
Rep. Courtney, Joe [D-CT-2]	D · CT		Mar 22, 2018
Rep. Delaney, John K. [D-MD-6]	D · MD		Mar 22, 2018
Rep. Green, Gene [D-TX-29]	D · TX		Mar 22, 2018
Rep. Huffman, Jared [D-CA-2]	D · CA		Mar 22, 2018
Rep. McNerney, Jerry [D-CA-9]	D · CA		Mar 22, 2018
Rep. Torres, Norma J. [D-CA-35]	D · CA		Mar 22, 2018
Rep. Swalwell, Eric [D-CA-15]	D · CA		Mar 29, 2018
Rep. Cooper, Jim [D-TN-5]	D · TN		Apr 5, 2018
Rep. Meng, Grace [D-NY-6]	D · NY		Apr 5, 2018
Rep. Neal, Richard E. [D-MA-1]	D · MA		Apr 5, 2018
Rep. Scott, Robert C. "Bobby" [D-VA-3]	D · VA		Apr 5, 2018
Rep. Kilmer, Derek [D-WA-6]	D · WA		Apr 10, 2018
Rep. Larson, John B. [D-CT-1]	D · CT		Apr 10, 2018
Rep. Richmond, Cedric L. [D-LA-2]	D · LA		Apr 10, 2018
Rep. Suozzi, Thomas R. [D-NY-3]	D · NY		Apr 10, 2018
Rep. Foster, Bill [D-IL-11]	D · IL		Apr 11, 2018
Rep. Fudge, Marcia L. [D-OH-11]	D · OH		Apr 11, 2018
Rep. Kuster, Ann M. [D-NH-2]	D · NH		Apr 11, 2018
Rep. Levin, Sander M. [D-MI-9]	D · MI		Apr 11, 2018
Rep. Maloney, Sean Patrick [D-NY-18]	D · NY		Apr 11, 2018
Rep. Ruiz, Raul [D-CA-36]	D · CA		Apr 11, 2018
Rep. Bustos, Cheri [D-IL-17]	D · IL		Apr 12, 2018
Rep. Frankel, Lois [D-FL-21]	D · FL		Apr 12, 2018

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Aug 15, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 S 1735	Identical bill	Sep 26, 2017: Committee on the Judiciary. Hearings held.

Special Counsel Independence Protection Act

This bill sets forth requirements and limitations with respect to the removal from office of a special counsel appointed by the Attorney General, or of another official appointed by the Attorney General who exercises a similar degree of independence from the Department of Justice (DOJ) chain of command.

Specifically, a special counsel or other appointed individual may be removed only if: (1) the Attorney General files an action in the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia and files a contemporaneous notice of the action with Congress; and (2) the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia issues an order finding misconduct, dereliction of duty, incapacity, conflict of interest, or other good cause, including violation of DOJ policies.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 22, 2018:** Motion to Discharge Committee filed by Ms. Jackson Lee. Petition No: 115-9. (Discharge petition text with signatures.)
- **Aug 15, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Aug 15, 2017:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.