

HR 3843

Close Official Acts Loophole Act of 2017

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Committee Activity

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Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

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This bill amends the federal criminal code to modify the definition of "official act" for purposes of an offense involving bribery of public officials.

Bribery of public officials includes offering a thing of value to (or acceptance of a thing of value by) a public official to influence an official act (or in return for being influenced in connection with an official act). Currently, an official act is any decision or action on a question, matter, cause, suit, proceeding, or controversy, which may at any time be pending, or which may by law be brought before a public official, in their official capacity.

This bill broadens an official act to include the personal and substantial participation through, or investigation of, a question, matter, cause, suit, proceeding, or controversy.

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