

## HR 3969

### Prioritizing Our Workers Act

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Finance and Financial Sector

**Introduced:** Oct 5, 2017

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial And Antitrust Law.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial And Antitrust Law. (Oct 16, 2017)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/3969>

## Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Ryan, Tim [D-OH-13]

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

## Cosponsors (8 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Norcross, Donald [D-NJ-1]	D · NJ		Oct 5, 2017
Rep. Pocan, Mark [D-WI-2]	D · WI		Oct 11, 2017
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Oct 23, 2017
Rep. Tonko, Paul [D-NY-20]	D · NY		Oct 23, 2017
Rep. Garamendi, John [D-CA-3]	D · CA		Nov 2, 2017
Rep. Gonzalez, Vicente [D-TX-15]	D · TX		Nov 9, 2017
Rep. Kaptur, Marcy [D-OH-9]	D · OH		Nov 29, 2017
Rep. Brady, Robert A. [D-PA-1]	D · PA		Mar 20, 2018

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Oct 16, 2017

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Finance and Financial Sector

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 S 1963	Identical bill	Oct 16, 2017: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

## Prioritizing Our Workers Act

This bill amends the federal bankruptcy code to include as allowable administrative expenses in bankruptcy the unfunded vested benefits in a defined pension plan and certain pension obligations under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). Claims for administrative expenses are entitled to priority in bankruptcy proceedings.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Oct 16, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial And Antitrust Law.
- **Oct 5, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Oct 5, 2017:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.