

HR 4139

End Outsourcing Act

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (10 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Oct 26, 2017
Rep. Conyers, John, Jr. [D-MI-13]	D · MI		Oct 26, 2017
Rep. Garamendi, John [D-CA-3]	D · CA		Oct 26, 2017
Rep. Kaptur, Marcy [D-OH-9]	D · OH		Oct 26, 2017
Rep. Lee, Barbara [D-CA-13]	D · CA		Oct 26, 2017
Rep. Ryan, Tim [D-OH-13]	D · OH		Oct 26, 2017
Rep. Swalwell, Eric [D-CA-15]	D · CA		Oct 26, 2017
Rep. Wilson, Frederica S. [D-FL-24]	D · FL		Oct 26, 2017
Rep. Lipinski, Daniel [D-IL-3]	D · IL		Dec 21, 2017
Rep. Boyle, Brendan F. [D-PA-13]	D · PA		Jan 19, 2018

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred To	Oct 26, 2017
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Oct 26, 2017
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Referred To	Oct 26, 2017
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Oct 26, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 S 234	Identical bill	Jan 24, 2017: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Summary (as of Oct 26, 2017)

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This bill modifies provisions of tax, labor, and federal contracting laws related to the outsourcing of jobs.

The bill amends the Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act to require employers to include an outsourcing statement in the notice that must be provided to employees, state dislocated worker units, and local governments prior to plant closings and mass layoffs. The statement must specify whether part or all of the positions held by affected employees will be moved outside of the United States, regardless of whether the positions are moved within the business enterprise involved or to another business enterprise.

The Department of Labor must publish on its website a list of employers that have included an outsourcing statement in the notice or have incurred liability for failing to provide the required notice.

The bill also amends the Internal Revenue Code to:

- deny certain tax deductions and accounting methods for outsourcing employers;
- require the recapture of certain tax credits and grants that were provided to outsourcing employers and were related to the design, construction, operation, or maintenance of an outsourced facility; and
- grant business taxpayers a tax credit for up to 20% of insourcing expenses incurred for eliminating a business located outside the United States and relocating it within the United States if there is an increase in the taxpayer's employment of full-time employees in the United States.

Federal contracting officers must: (1) require contractors submitting bids or proposals to disclose specified details regarding the outsourcing of jobs, and (2) take the disclosure into account in awarding contracts.

Actions Timeline

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