

## HR 4535

### RICE Act

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Dec 4, 2017

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management. (Dec 21, 2017)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/4535>

### Sponsor

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

### Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Gutierrez, Luis V. [D-IL-4]	D · IL		Dec 4, 2017
Rep. Slaughter, Louise McIntosh [D-NY-25]	D · NY		Dec 4, 2017
Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-3]	D · AZ		Dec 7, 2017

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Dec 21, 2017
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Dec 8, 2017

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Health

### Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

### Summary (as of Dec 4, 2017)

#### Reducing food-based Inorganic Compounds Exposure Act of 2017 or the RICE Act

This bill directs the Food and Drug Administration to promulgate a final regulation establishing the minimum quantity of inorganic arsenic contained in rice or a rice product that will cause sale of the rice or rice product to be prohibited.

The regulation must: (1) apply the minimum quantity to rice and rice products regardless of the origin of the arsenic, (2) include the establishment of tolerances, and (3) establish a standard for inorganic arsenic that is based on the maximum achievable reduction in health risks and is protective of the long-term health of children.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Dec 21, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management.
- **Dec 8, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Dec 4, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Dec 4, 2017:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Agriculture, 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.