

## HR 4779

REFER Act of 2018

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Crime and Law Enforcement

**Introduced:** Jan 11, 2018

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations. (Jan 17, 2018)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/4779>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Lee, Barbara [D-CA-13]

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

### Cosponsors (16 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]	D · OR		Jan 11, 2018
Rep. Polis, Jared [D-CO-2]	D · CO		Jan 11, 2018
Rep. Titus, Dina [D-NV-1]	D · NV		Jan 11, 2018
Rep. Young, Don [R-AK-At Large]	R · AK		Jan 11, 2018
Rep. Bonamici, Suzanne [D-OR-1]	D · OR		Jan 17, 2018
Rep. Jones, Walter B., Jr. [R-NC-3]	R · NC		Jan 22, 2018
Rep. Khanna, Ro [D-CA-17]	D · CA		Feb 6, 2018
Rep. Crist, Charlie [D-FL-13]	D · FL		Feb 13, 2018
Rep. Lofgren, Zoe [D-CA-19]	D · CA		Feb 13, 2018
Rep. Joyce, David P. [R-OH-14]	R · OH		Mar 6, 2018
Rep. Carbajal, Salud O. [D-CA-24]	D · CA		Apr 25, 2018
Rep. Clay, Wm. Lacy [D-MO-1]	D · MO		Jun 5, 2018
Rep. Raskin, Jamie [D-MD-8]	D · MD		Jun 5, 2018
Rep. Takano, Mark [D-CA-41]	D · CA		Jun 5, 2018
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Jun 19, 2018
Rep. Jayapal, Pramila [D-WA-7]	D · WA		Jun 19, 2018

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 12, 2018
Financial Services Committee	House	Referred To	Jan 11, 2018
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 17, 2018

## Subjects & Policy Tags

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### Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

### Related Bills

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*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of Jan 11, 2018)

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#### **Restraining Excessive Federal Enforcement & Regulations of Cannabis Act of 2018 or the REFER Act of 2018**

This bill prohibits the use of funds made available by Congress to a federal department or agency:

- to restrict a state or local law that authorizes the use, distribution, possession, or cultivation of cannabis;
- to detain, prosecute, sentence, or initiate civil proceedings against an individual, business, or property involved in cannabis-related activities in accordance with state or local law; or
- to penalize a financial institution for providing financial services to a business engaged in cannabis-related activities in compliance with state or local law.

### Actions Timeline

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- **Jan 17, 2018:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H421)
- **Jan 17, 2018:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations.
- **Jan 12, 2018:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jan 11, 2018:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 11, 2018:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Financial Services, and Energy and Commerce, 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.

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