

## HR 5204

Andrew T. Finch Memorial Act of 2018

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Crime and Law Enforcement

**Introduced:** Mar 7, 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. (Apr 6, 2018)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/5204>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Estes, Ron [R-KS-4]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** KS • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 6, 2018
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### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

### Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

### Summary (as of Mar 7, 2018)

### Preventing Swatting and Protecting our Communities Act of 2018 or the Andrew T. Finch Memorial Act of 2018

This bill makes it a crime to intentionally convey false or misleading information that (1) may reasonably be expected to cause an emergency response, and (2) indicates the occurrence of criminal conduct or a threat to health or safety. A violator is subject to criminal and civil penalties.

### Actions Timeline

- **Apr 6, 2018:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice.
- **Apr 6, 2018:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations.
- **Mar 7, 2018:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 7, 2018:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.