

HR 5476

Special Counsel Independence and Integrity Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

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Sponsor

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

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Rep. Garamendi, John [D-CA-3]	D · CA		Apr 13, 2018
Rep. Gutierrez, Luis V. [D-IL-4]	D · IL		Apr 13, 2018
Rep. Hanabusa, Colleen [D-HI-1]	D · HI		Apr 13, 2018
Rep. Hastings, Alcee L. [D-FL-20]	D · FL		Apr 13, 2018
Rep. Huffman, Jared [D-CA-2]	D · CA		Apr 13, 2018
Rep. Jayapal, Pramila [D-WA-7]	D · WA		Apr 13, 2018
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Rep. Johnson, Henry C. "Hank," Jr. [D-GA-4]	D · GA		Apr 13, 2018
Rep. Jones, Walter B., Jr. [R-NC-3]	R · NC		Apr 13, 2018
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Rep. Langevin, James R. [D-RI-2]	D · RI		Apr 13, 2018
Rep. Lawrence, Brenda L. [D-MI-14]	D · MI		Apr 13, 2018
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Rep. Meng, Grace [D-NY-6]	D · NY		Apr 13, 2018
Rep. Moulton, Seth [D-MA-6]	D · MA		Apr 13, 2018
Rep. Napolitano, Grace F. [D-CA-32]	D · CA		Apr 13, 2018
Rep. Pallone, Frank, Jr. [D-NJ-6]	D · NJ		Apr 13, 2018
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Rep. Polis, Jared [D-CO-2]	D · CO		Apr 13, 2018
Rep. Price, David E. [D-NC-4]	D · NC		Apr 13, 2018
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Rep. Rosen, Jacky [D-NV-3]	D · NV		Apr 13, 2018
Rep. Roybal-Allard, Lucille [D-CA-40]	D · CA		Apr 13, 2018
Rep. Ryan, Tim [D-OH-13]	D · OH		Apr 13, 2018
Rep. Sánchez, Linda T. [D-CA-38]	D · CA		Apr 13, 2018
Rep. Schakowsky, Janice D. [D-IL-9]	D · IL		Apr 13, 2018
Rep. Schiff, Adam B. [D-CA-28]	D · CA		Apr 13, 2018
Rep. Schneider, Bradley Scott [D-IL-10]	D · IL		Apr 13, 2018
Rep. Scott, Robert C. "Bobby" [D-VA-3]	D · VA		Apr 13, 2018
Rep. Serrano, Jose E. [D-NY-15]	D · NY		Apr 13, 2018
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Rep. Speier, Jackie [D-CA-14]	D · CA		Apr 13, 2018
Rep. Swalwell, Eric [D-CA-15]	D · CA		Apr 13, 2018

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Rep. Tonko, Paul [D-NY-20]	D · NY		Apr 13, 2018
Rep. Vela, Filemon [D-TX-34]	D · TX		Apr 13, 2018
Rep. Wasserman Schultz, Debbie [D-FL-23]	D · FL		Apr 13, 2018
Rep. Waters, Maxine [D-CA-43]	D · CA		Apr 13, 2018
Rep. Adams, Alma S. [D-NC-12]	D · NC		Apr 17, 2018
Rep. Brown, Anthony G. [D-MD-4]	D · MD		Apr 17, 2018
Rep. Bustos, Cheri [D-IL-17]	D · IL		Apr 17, 2018
Rep. Cummings, Elijah E. [D-MD-7]	D · MD		Apr 17, 2018
Rep. DeFazio, Peter A. [D-OR-4]	D · OR		Apr 17, 2018
Rep. Dingell, Debbie [D-MI-12]	D · MI		Apr 17, 2018
Rep. Doyle, Michael F. [D-PA-14]	D · PA		Apr 17, 2018
Rep. Gomez, Jimmy [D-CA-34]	D · CA		Apr 17, 2018
Rep. Sherman, Brad [D-CA-30]	D · CA		Apr 17, 2018
Rep. Takano, Mark [D-CA-41]	D · CA		Apr 17, 2018
Rep. Velazquez, Nydia M. [D-NY-7]	D · NY		Apr 17, 2018
Rep. Welch, Peter [D-VT-At Large]	D · VT		Apr 17, 2018
Rep. Wilson, Frederica S. [D-FL-24]	D · FL		Apr 17, 2018
Rep. Yarmuth, John A. [D-KY-3]	D · KY		Apr 17, 2018
Rep. Chu, Judy [D-CA-27]	D · CA		Apr 24, 2018
Rep. Connolly, Gerald E. [D-VA-11]	D · VA		Apr 24, 2018
Rep. Courtney, Joe [D-CT-2]	D · CT		Apr 24, 2018
Rep. Deutch, Theodore E. [D-FL-22]	D · FL		Apr 24, 2018
Rep. Kennedy, Joseph P., III [D-MA-4]	D · MA		Apr 24, 2018
Rep. McEachin, A. Donald [D-VA-4]	D · VA		Apr 24, 2018
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Rep. Peters, Scott H. [D-CA-52]	D · CA		Apr 24, 2018
Rep. Dent, Charles W. [R-PA-15]	R · PA		Apr 27, 2018
Rep. Soto, Darren [D-FL-9]	D · FL		May 15, 2018
Rep. Larson, John B. [D-CT-1]	D · CT		May 22, 2018
Rep. Vargas, Juan [D-CA-51]	D · CA		May 22, 2018
Rep. Heck, Denny [D-WA-10]	D · WA		Jun 5, 2018
Rep. Krishnamoorthi, Raja [D-IL-8]	D · IL		Jun 6, 2018
Rep. McGovern, James P. [D-MA-2]	D · MA		Jun 12, 2018
Rep. Sarbanes, John P. [D-MD-3]	D · MD		Jun 12, 2018
Rep. Tsongas, Niki [D-MA-3]	D · MA		Jun 12, 2018
Rep. Sires, Albio [D-NJ-8]	D · NJ		Jun 25, 2018
Rep. Clarke, Yvette D. [D-NY-9]	D · NY		Jul 16, 2018
Rep. DelBene, Suzan K. [D-WA-1]	D · WA		Jul 18, 2018
Rep. Capuano, Michael E. [D-MA-7]	D · MA		Jul 26, 2018
Rep. DeSaulnier, Mark [D-CA-11]	D · CA		Jul 26, 2018
Rep. Lamb, Conor [D-PA-18]	D · PA		Jul 26, 2018
Rep. Lujan Grisham, Michelle [D-NM-1]	D · NM		Jul 26, 2018

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Rep. Pascrell, Bill, Jr. [D-NJ-9]	D · NJ		Jul 27, 2018
Rep. Panetta, Jimmy [D-CA-20]	D · CA		Sep 12, 2018
Rep. O'Rourke, Beto [D-TX-16]	D · TX		Sep 27, 2018
Rep. Thompson, Mike [D-CA-5]	D · CA		Nov 13, 2018
Rep. Visclosky, Peter J. [D-IN-1]	D · IN		Nov 15, 2018
Rep. Kind, Ron [D-WI-3]	D · WI		Nov 16, 2018
Rep. Scanlon, Mary Gay [D-PA-7]	D · PA		Dec 13, 2018

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Apr 11, 2018

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 5505	Identical bill	May 15, 2018: ASSUMING FIRST SPONSORSHIP - Mr. Lance asked unanimous consent that he may hereafter be considered as the first sponsor of H.R. 5505, a bill originally introduced by Representative Dent of Pennsylvania, for the purpose of adding cosponsors and requesting reprintings under clause 7 of rule XII. Agreed to without objection.
115 S 2644	Identical bill	Apr 26, 2018: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 393.

Summary (as of Apr 11, 2018)

Special Counsel Independence and Integrity Act

This bill sets forth requirements and limitations with respect to the removal from office of a special counsel appointed by the Attorney General, or of another official appointed by the Attorney General who exercises a similar degree of independence from the Department of Justice (DOJ) chain of command.

Specifically, a special counsel or other appointed official:

- may only be removed by the Attorney General or the most senior Senate-confirmed DOJ official, in certain circumstances;
- may only be removed for misconduct, dereliction of duty, incapacity, conflict of interest, or other good cause;
- must be provided written notice that specifies the reason for removal; and
- may file an action to challenge the removal not later than 10 days after notice was provided.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 11, 2018:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 11, 2018:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.