

## HR 5656

### Catalyst Theory Restoration Act of 2018

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Law

**Introduced:** Apr 27, 2018

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice. (May 22, 2018)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/5656>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Cartwright, Matt [D-PA-17]

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

### Cosponsors

*No cosponsors are listed for this bill.*

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	May 22, 2018

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Law

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of Apr 27, 2018)

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This bill defines the term "prevailing party" for purposes of determining an award of attorney's fees against the federal government in judicial or administrative proceedings.

Specifically, a prevailing party includes a party whose claim or defense motivates (i.e., catalyzes) the opposing party to voluntarily provide a significant part of the relief sought.

### Actions Timeline

- **May 22, 2018:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice.
- **Apr 27, 2018:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 27, 2018:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.