

## HR 6426

To provide for measures to strengthen dialogue with the Russian people and support Russian civil society, and for other purposes.

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** International Affairs

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**Latest Action:** Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary, and Armed Services, 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. (Jul 18, 2018)

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### Sponsor

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### Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Clarke, Yvette D. [D-NY-9]	D · NY		Jul 23, 2018
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Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		Jul 24, 2018

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 18, 2018
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 18, 2018
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 18, 2018

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

International Affairs

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 6437	Related bill	<b>Jul 19, 2018:</b> Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on Intelligence (Permanent Select), the Judiciary, Armed Services, House Administration, Energy and Commerce, Appropriations, Financial Services, and Oversight and Government Reform, 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.

## **CPR for Russian Civil Society Act**

This bill directs the Department of State to: (1) conduct a study on streamlining visa procedures for Russian students and persons involved in professional and cultural exchanges, and (2) enhance screening of certain senior Russian political figures and oligarchs and others associated with President Vladimir Putin.

The bill requires reports to Congress regarding: (1) efforts to strengthen strategic stability with Russia, (2) cultural exchange and educational programs with Russia, and (3) Russian proxies.

The Department of State shall convene a meeting of U.S. technology companies that sell or license tools that allow the Russian government to suppress civil society activists. The meeting shall focus on developing a code of conduct to restrain U.S. companies from aiding such efforts.

Additional funds are provided to increase the International Broadcasting Operations Fund's Russian language programming.

The State Department shall compile and make public a list of Russian-based persons who recruited or facilitated the transfer of Russian personnel for the Donbass war in Ukraine or the targeting of civilians in Syria. Such persons shall be prohibited from entering the United States.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jul 18, 2018:** Introduced in House
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