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Responsibly Addressing the Marijuana Policy Gap Act of 2017

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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • **State:** OR • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 30, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 3391	Related bill	Sep 6, 2017: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations.
115 HR 1824	Related bill	Apr 24, 2017: Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Border Security.
115 HR 1820	Related bill	Mar 31, 2017: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
115 HR 1810	Related bill	Mar 30, 2017: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.
115 S 777	Related bill	Mar 30, 2017: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
115 HR 331	Related bill	Jan 31, 2017: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations.

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This bill amends various provisions of law and sets forth new provisions:

- to eliminate regulatory controls and administrative, civil, and criminal penalties under the Controlled Substances Act for marijuana-related activities authorized by state or tribal law (i.e., state-authorized);
- to allow businesses that sell marijuana in compliance with state or tribal law to claim certain federal tax credits and deductions;
- to eliminate restrictions on print and broadcast advertising of state-authorized marijuana-related activities;
- to create protections for depository institutions that provide financial services to marijuana-related businesses;
- to specify that a marijuana-related business is entitled to federal bankruptcy protections;
- to establish a process to expunge criminal records related to certain marijuana-related convictions;
- to reestablish federal student aid eligibility for certain students convicted of a misdemeanor offense for marijuana possession;
- to exempt real property from civil forfeiture due to state-authorized marijuana-related conduct;
- to prohibit the inadmissibility or deportability of aliens for state-authorized marijuana-related conduct;
- to specify that drug-related criminal activity, which is prohibited in federally assisted housing, does not include state-authorized marijuana-related conduct;
- to establish a new, separate registration process to facilitate medical marijuana research;
- to authorize health care providers employed by the Department of Veterans Affairs to recommend participation in state marijuana programs; and
- to authorize medical providers through an Indian health program to make medical recommendations regarding marijuana.

Actions Timeline

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