

## HR 850

Agency Accountability Act of 2017

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Economics and Public Finance

**Introduced:** Feb 3, 2017

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial And Antitrust Law.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial And Antitrust Law. (Mar 9, 2017)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/850>

### Sponsor

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**Name:** Rep. Palmer, Gary J. [R-AL-6]

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

**Cosponsors** (158 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Rep. Allen, Rick W. [R-GA-12]	R · GA		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Arrington, Jodey C. [R-TX-19]	R · TX		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Babin, Brian [R-TX-36]	R · TX		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Blackburn, Marsha [R-TN-7]	R · TN		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Blum, Rod [R-IA-1]	R · IA		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Brat, Dave [R-VA-7]	R · VA		Feb 3, 2017
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Rep. Brooks, Mo [R-AL-5]	R · AL		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Buck, Ken [R-CO-4]	R · CO		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Budd, Ted [R-NC-13]	R · NC		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Byrne, Bradley [R-AL-1]	R · AL		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Carter, Earl L. "Buddy" [R-GA-1]	R · GA		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Chaffetz, Jason [R-UT-3]	R · UT		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Coffman, Mike [R-CO-6]	R · CO		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Davidson, Warren [R-OH-8]	R · OH		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Duncan, Jeff [R-SC-3]	R · SC		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Dunn, Neal P. [R-FL-2]	R · FL		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Emmer, Tom [R-MN-6]	R · MN		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Farenthold, Blake [R-TX-27]	R · TX		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Fleischmann, Charles J. "Chuck" [R-TN-3]	R · TN		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Foxx, Virginia [R-NC-5]	R · NC		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Gohmert, Louie [R-TX-1]	R · TX		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Griffith, H. Morgan [R-VA-9]	R · VA		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Harris, Andy [R-MD-1]	R · MD		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Hartzler, Vicky [R-MO-4]	R · MO		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Hensarling, Jeb [R-TX-5]	R · TX		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Hice, Jody B. [R-GA-10]	R · GA		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Hudson, Richard [R-NC-8]	R · NC		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Jordan, Jim [R-OH-4]	R · OH		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. McClintock, Tom [R-CA-4]	R · CA		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. McHenry, Patrick T. [R-NC-10]	R · NC		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Mooney, Alexander X. [R-WV-2]	R · WV		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Mullin, Markwayne [R-OK-2]	R · OK		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Palazzo, Steven M. [R-MS-4]	R · MS		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Perry, Scott [R-PA-4]	R · PA		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Ratcliffe, John [R-TX-4]	R · TX		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Renacci, James B. [R-OH-16]	R · OH		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Rokita, Todd [R-IN-4]	R · IN		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Rouzer, David [R-NC-7]	R · NC		Feb 3, 2017

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Rep. Russell, Steve [R-OK-5]	R · OK		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Sanford, Mark [R-SC-1]	R · SC		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Schweikert, David [R-AZ-6]	R · AZ		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Scott, Austin [R-GA-8]	R · GA		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Smith, Jason [R-MO-8]	R · MO		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Smith, Lamar [R-TX-21]	R · TX		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Walberg, Tim [R-MI-7]	R · MI		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Walker, Mark [R-NC-6]	R · NC		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Westerman, Bruce [R-AR-4]	R · AR		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Young, David [R-IA-3]	R · IA		Feb 3, 2017
Rep. Banks, Jim [R-IN-3]	R · IN		Feb 6, 2017
Rep. Ferguson, A. Drew, IV [R-GA-3]	R · GA		Feb 6, 2017
Rep. Biggs, Andy [R-AZ-5]	R · AZ		Feb 7, 2017
Rep. Lewis, Jason [R-MN-2]	R · MN		Feb 7, 2017
Rep. Faso, John J. [R-NY-19]	R · NY		Feb 13, 2017
Rep. Yoho, Ted S. [R-FL-3]	R · FL		Feb 13, 2017
Rep. Loudermilk, Barry [R-GA-11]	R · GA		Feb 14, 2017
Rep. Marchant, Kenny [R-TX-24]	R · TX		Feb 16, 2017
Rep. Kelly, Trent [R-MS-1]	R · MS		Mar 8, 2017
Rep. Grothman, Glenn [R-WI-6]	R · WI		Mar 16, 2017
Rep. Olson, Pete [R-TX-22]	R · TX		May 18, 2017
Rep. Johnson, Mike [R-LA-4]	R · LA		May 22, 2017
Rep. Bishop, Mike [R-MI-8]	R · MI		May 25, 2017
Rep. Tenney, Claudia [R-NY-22]	R · NY		Jun 6, 2017
Rep. Smucker, Lloyd [R-PA-16]	R · PA		Jun 8, 2017
Rep. DesJarlais, Scott [R-TN-4]	R · TN		Jul 18, 2017
Rep. Meadows, Mark [R-NC-11]	R · NC		Jul 18, 2017
Rep. Flores, Bill [R-TX-17]	R · TX		Jul 19, 2017
Rep. Gosar, Paul A. [R-AZ-4]	R · AZ		Jul 19, 2017
Rep. Messer, Luke [R-IN-6]	R · IN		Jul 20, 2017
Rep. Luetkemeyer, Blaine [R-MO-3]	R · MO		Jul 24, 2017
Rep. Pittenger, Robert [R-NC-9]	R · NC		Jul 24, 2017
Rep. Rogers, Mike D. [R-AL-3]	R · AL		Jul 24, 2017
Rep. Graves, Sam [R-MO-6]	R · MO		Jul 25, 2017
Rep. Lamborn, Doug [R-CO-5]	R · CO		Jul 25, 2017
Rep. Wagner, Ann [R-MO-2]	R · MO		Jul 25, 2017
Rep. Bilirakis, Gus M. [R-FL-12]	R · FL		Jul 28, 2017
Rep. Johnson, Sam [R-TX-3]	R · TX		Jul 28, 2017
Rep. Rooney, Francis [R-FL-19]	R · FL		Jul 28, 2017
Rep. Graves, Tom [R-GA-14]	R · GA		Aug 1, 2017
Rep. Zeldin, Lee M. [R-NY-1]	R · NY		Aug 1, 2017
Rep. Long, Billy [R-MO-7]	R · MO		Sep 6, 2017

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Rep. Franks, Trent [R-AZ-8]	R · AZ		Sep 25, 2017
Rep. Wittman, Robert J. [R-VA-1]	R · VA		Oct 4, 2017
Rep. Walorski, Jackie [R-IN-2]	R · IN		Oct 5, 2017
Rep. Comer, James [R-KY-1]	R · KY		Nov 9, 2017
Rep. Holding, George [R-NC-2]	R · NC		Dec 19, 2017
Rep. Norman, Ralph [R-SC-5]	R · SC		Dec 19, 2017
Rep. Williams, Roger [R-TX-25]	R · TX		Dec 19, 2017
Rep. Barr, Andy [R-KY-6]	R · KY		Dec 20, 2017
Rep. Black, Diane [R-TN-6]	R · TN		Dec 20, 2017
Rep. Estes, Ron [R-KS-4]	R · KS		Dec 20, 2017
Rep. Hollingsworth, Trey [R-IN-9]	R · IN		Dec 20, 2017
Rep. Labrador, Raul R. [R-ID-1]	R · ID		Dec 20, 2017
Rep. Rothfus, Keith J. [R-PA-12]	R · PA		Dec 20, 2017
Rep. Burgess, Michael C. [R-TX-26]	R · TX		Jan 3, 2018
Rep. Garrett, Thomas A., Jr. [R-VA-5]	R · VA		Jan 3, 2018
Rep. Graves, Garret [R-LA-6]	R · LA		Jan 3, 2018
Rep. King, Steve [R-IA-4]	R · IA		Jan 3, 2018
Rep. LaHood, Darin [R-IL-18]	R · IL		Jan 3, 2018
Rep. Bacon, Don [R-NE-2]	R · NE		Jan 5, 2018
Rep. Collins, Doug [R-GA-9]	R · GA		Jan 5, 2018
Rep. McCaul, Michael T. [R-TX-10]	R · TX		Jan 5, 2018
Rep. Kelly, Mike [R-PA-3]	R · PA		Jan 8, 2018
Rep. Marshall, Roger [R-KS-1]	R · KS		Jan 8, 2018
Rep. Handel, Karen C. [R-GA-6]	R · GA		Jan 9, 2018
Rep. LaMalfa, Doug [R-CA-1]	R · CA		Jan 9, 2018
Rep. Posey, Bill [R-FL-8]	R · FL		Jan 9, 2018
Rep. Walters, Mimi [R-CA-45]	R · CA		Jan 9, 2018
Rep. Webster, Daniel [R-FL-11]	R · FL		Jan 9, 2018
Rep. Wilson, Joe [R-SC-2]	R · SC		Jan 9, 2018
Rep. Womack, Steve [R-AR-3]	R · AR		Jan 9, 2018
Rep. Chabot, Steve [R-OH-1]	R · OH		Jan 10, 2018
Rep. Gibbs, Bob [R-OH-7]	R · OH		Jan 10, 2018
Rep. Stewart, Chris [R-UT-2]	R · UT		Jan 10, 2018
Rep. Bergman, Jack [R-MI-1]	R · MI		Jan 11, 2018
Rep. Conaway, K. Michael [R-TX-11]	R · TX		Jan 11, 2018
Rep. McMorris Rodgers, Cathy [R-WA-5]	R · WA		Jan 11, 2018
Rep. Roskam, Peter J. [R-IL-6]	R · IL		Jan 11, 2018
Rep. Weber, Randy K., Sr. [R-TX-14]	R · TX		Jan 11, 2018
Rep. Woodall, Rob [R-GA-7]	R · GA		Jan 11, 2018
Rep. Bishop, Rob [R-UT-1]	R · UT		Jan 16, 2018
Rep. Brady, Kevin [R-TX-8]	R · TX		Jan 16, 2018
Rep. Culberson, John Abney [R-TX-7]	R · TX		Jan 16, 2018

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Rep. Duncan, John J., Jr. [R-TN-2]	R · TN		Jan 16, 2018
Rep. Granger, Kay [R-TX-12]	R · TX		Jan 16, 2018
Rep. Hunter, Duncan D. [R-CA-50]	R · CA		Jan 16, 2018
Rep. Moolenaar, John R. [R-MI-4]	R · MI		Jan 16, 2018
Rep. Sensenbrenner, F. James, Jr. [R-WI-5]	R · WI		Jan 16, 2018
Rep. Noem, Kristi L. [R-SD-At Large]	R · SD		Jan 17, 2018
Rep. Cole, Tom [R-OK-4]	R · OK		Jan 18, 2018
Rep. Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [R-PA-8]	R · PA		Jan 18, 2018
Rep. Gallagher, Mike [R-WI-8]	R · WI		Jan 18, 2018
Rep. Kustoff, David [R-TN-8]	R · TN		Jan 18, 2018
Rep. Mitchell, Paul [R-MI-10]	R · MI		Jan 18, 2018
Rep. Ross, Dennis A. [R-FL-15]	R · FL		Jan 18, 2018
Rep. Thompson, Glenn [R-PA-5]	R · PA		Jan 18, 2018
Rep. Trott, David A. [R-MI-11]	R · MI		Jan 18, 2018
Rep. Love, Mia B. [R-UT-4]	R · UT		Jan 19, 2018
Rep. Rice, Tom [R-SC-7]	R · SC		Jan 19, 2018
Rep. Crawford, Eric A. "Rick" [R-AR-1]	R · AR		Jan 25, 2018
Rep. Curtis, John R. [R-UT-3]	R · UT		Jan 25, 2018
Rep. Newhouse, Dan [R-WA-4]	R · WA		Jan 25, 2018
Rep. Guthrie, Brett [R-KY-2]	R · KY		Feb 2, 2018
Rep. Amash, Justin [R-MI-3]	R · MI		Feb 5, 2018
Rep. Barton, Joe [R-TX-6]	R · TX		Feb 7, 2018
Rep. Fortenberry, Jeff [R-NE-1]	R · NE		Feb 7, 2018
Rep. Gaetz, Matt [R-FL-1]	R · FL		Feb 13, 2018
Rep. DeSantis, Ron [R-FL-6]	R · FL		Feb 15, 2018
Rep. Harper, Gregg [R-MS-3]	R · MS		Feb 15, 2018
Rep. Higgins, Clay [R-LA-3]	R · LA		Feb 15, 2018
Rep. Knight, Stephen [R-CA-25]	R · CA		Feb 15, 2018
Rep. Rooney, Thomas J. [R-FL-17]	R · FL		Feb 15, 2018
Rep. Jenkins, Evan H. [R-WV-3]	R · WV		Apr 10, 2018
Rep. Sessions, Pete [R-TX-32]	R · TX		May 8, 2018
Rep. Lesko, Debbie [R-AZ-8]	R · AZ		Jul 17, 2018
Rep. Cloud, Michael [R-TX-27]	R · TX		Sep 13, 2018

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Budget Committee	House	Referred To	Feb 3, 2017
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 9, 2017
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Referred To	Feb 3, 2017
Rules Committee	House	Referred To	Feb 3, 2017

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Economics and Public Finance

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 S 299	Identical bill	<b>Feb 3, 2017:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

## Summary (as of Feb 3, 2017)

### Agency Accountability Act of 2017

This bill requires any agency that receives a fee, fine, penalty, or proceeds from a settlement to deposit the amount in the general fund of the Treasury.

The funds may not be used unless the funding is provided in advance in an appropriations bill. Any amounts deposited during the fiscal year in which this bill is enacted may not be obligated during the fiscal year and must be used for deficit reduction.

The bill includes an exception for funds to be paid to an individual entitled to receive the funds as a whistle-blower, including funds received as a percentage of amounts received by the government pursuant to a judgment or settlement agreement.

The bill amends the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 to require offsetting receipts and collections to be treated as revenue. (Offsetting receipts and collections are funds collected by agencies from other government accounts or from the public in businesslike or market-oriented transactions. Under current law, the collections are treated as negative budget authority and outlays rather than revenue and may be used to offset spending for budget enforcement purposes.)

The requirements of the bill do not apply to the U.S. Postal Service or the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO). The Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and the Director of the USPTO must submit annually to Congress a report describing any fee, fine, penalty, or proceeds from a settlement collected by the USPTO during the previous year.

## Actions Timeline

- **Mar 9, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial And Antitrust Law.
- **Feb 3, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 3, 2017:** Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary, the Budget, and Rules, 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.