

HR 1112

Enhanced Background Checks Act of 2019

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (15 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Cunningham, Joe [D-SC-1]	D · SC		Feb 8, 2019
Rep. King, Peter T. [R-NY-2]	R · NY		Feb 8, 2019
Rep. Cicilline, David N. [D-RI-1]	D · RI		Feb 22, 2019
Rep. Davis, Danny K. [D-IL-7]	D · IL		Feb 22, 2019
Rep. Demings, Val Butler [D-FL-10]	D · FL		Feb 22, 2019
Rep. Khanna, Ro [D-CA-17]	D · CA		Feb 22, 2019
Rep. Levin, Andy [D-MI-9]	D · MI		Feb 22, 2019
Rep. Malinowski, Tom [D-NJ-7]	D · NJ		Feb 22, 2019
Rep. Ocasio-Cortez, Alexandria [D-NY-14]	D · NY		Feb 22, 2019
Rep. Omar, Ilhan [D-MN-5]	D · MN		Feb 22, 2019
Rep. Raskin, Jamie [D-MD-8]	D · MD		Feb 22, 2019
Rep. Rouda, Harley [D-CA-48]	D · CA		Feb 22, 2019
Rep. Schneider, Bradley Scott [D-IL-10]	D · IL		Feb 22, 2019
Rep. Sherman, Brad [D-CA-30]	D · CA		Feb 22, 2019
Rep. Suozzi, Thomas R. [D-NY-3]	D · NY		Feb 22, 2019

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Reported By	Feb 22, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HRES 145	Procedurally related	Feb 26, 2019: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

Summary (as of Feb 28, 2019)

Enhanced Background Checks Act of 2019

This bill revises background check requirements applicable to proposed firearm transfers from a federal firearms licensee (e.g., a licensed gun dealer) to an unlicensed person.

(Sec. 2) First, it increases the amount of time, from 3 business days to a minimum of 10 business days, that a federal firearms licensee must wait to receive a completed background check prior to transferring a firearm to an unlicensed person. (This type of transaction is often referred to as a default proceed transaction.)

If a submitted background check remains incomplete after 10 business days, then the prospective purchaser may submit a petition for a final firearms eligibility determination. If an additional 10 days elapse without a final determination, then the federal firearms licensee may transfer the firearm to the prospective purchaser.

(Sec. 3) It requires the Government Accountability Office to report on the extent to which the changes have prevented firearms transfers to prohibited persons.

(Sec. 4) The Federal Bureau of Investigation must report on the number of petitions it receives for final federal firearms determinations.

(Sec. 5) Additionally, the bill modifies statutory references with respect to a particular category of prohibited persons (i.e., persons barred from receiving or possessing a firearm). Specifically, it replaces references to persons *adjudicated as a mental defective* with persons *adjudicated with mental illness, severe developmental disability, or severe emotional instability*.

(Sec. 6) The Department of Justice, in consultation with the National Resource Center on Domestic Violence and Firearms, must report on further amendments to the background check process that would likely reduce the risk of death or great bodily harm to victims of domestic violence, domestic abuse, dating partner violence, sexual assault, and stalking.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 5, 2019:** Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 30.
- **Mar 4, 2019:** Received in the Senate. Read the first time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under Read the First Time.
- **Feb 28, 2019:** Considered under the provisions of rule H. Res. 145. (consideration: CR H2277-2293)
- **Feb 28, 2019:** Provides for one hour of debate on each measure. Only those amendments printed in the report shall be in order and the previous question shall be considered ordered without intervening motions except one motion to recommit with or without instructions.
- **Feb 28, 2019:** House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union pursuant to H. Res. 145 and Rule XVIII.
- **Feb 28, 2019:** The Speaker designated the Honorable Lauren Underwood to act as Chairwoman of the Committee.
- **Feb 28, 2019:** GENERAL DEBATE - The Committee of the Whole proceeded with one hour of general debate on H.R. 1112.
- **Feb 28, 2019:** DEBATE - Pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 145, the Committee of the Whole proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Rice (SC) amendment No. 1.
- **Feb 28, 2019:** DEBATE - Pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 145, the Committee of the Whole proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Schneider amendment No. 2.
- **Feb 28, 2019:** POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of debate on the Schneider amendment No. 2, the Chair put the question on adoption of the amendment and by voice vote, announced that the ayes had prevailed. Mr. Nadler demanded a recorded vote and the Chair postponed further proceedings until later in the legislative day.
- **Feb 28, 2019:** DEBATE - Pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 145, the Committee of the Whole proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Levin (MI) amendment No. 3.
- **Feb 28, 2019:** DEBATE - Pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 145, the Committee of the Whole proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Porter amendment No. 4.
- **Feb 28, 2019:** DEBATE - Pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 145, the Committee of the Whole proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Van Drew amendment No. 5.
- **Feb 28, 2019:** POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of debate on the Van Drew amendment No. 5, the Chair put the question on adoption of the amendment and by voice vote, announced that the ayes had prevailed. Mr. Collins (GA) demanded a recorded vote and the Chair postponed further proceedings until later in the legislative day.
- **Feb 28, 2019:** The House rose from the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union to report H.R. 1112.
- **Feb 28, 2019:** The previous question was ordered pursuant to the rule.
- **Feb 28, 2019:** Mrs. Lesko moved to recommit with instructions to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text: CR H2291)
- **Feb 28, 2019:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Lesko motion to recommit with instructions. The instructions contained in the motion seek to require the bill to be reported back to the House with an amendment to insert new text on cases in which the transferee is a victim of a crime of domestic violence.
- **Feb 28, 2019:** The previous question on the motion to recommit with instructions was ordered without objection.
- **Feb 28, 2019:** On motion to recommit with instructions Failed by the Yeas and Nays: 194 - 232 (Roll no. 102).
- **Feb 28, 2019:** Passed/agreed to in House: On passage Passed by the Yeas and Nays: 228 - 198 (Roll no. 103). (text: CR H2284)
- **Feb 28, 2019:** On passage Passed by the Yeas and Nays: 228 - 198 (Roll no. 103). (text: CR H2284)
- **Feb 28, 2019:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Feb 26, 2019:** Rule H. Res. 145 passed House.
- **Feb 25, 2019:** Rules Committee Resolution H. Res. 145 Reported to House. Provides for one hour of debate on each measure. Only those amendments printed in the report shall be in order and the previous question shall be considered ordered without intervening motions except one motion to recommit with or without instructions.
- **Feb 22, 2019:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Judiciary. H. Rept. 116-12.
- **Feb 22, 2019:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 4.
- **Feb 13, 2019:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Feb 13, 2019:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 21 - 14.
- **Feb 8, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 8, 2019:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.