

## HR 1777

Ruthie and Connie LGBT Elder Americans Act of 2019

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Social Welfare

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Rep. Ocasio-Cortez, Alexandria [D-NY-14]	D · NY		Nov 15, 2019
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Rep. Wild, Susan [D-PA-7]	D · PA		Sep 22, 2020

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 14, 2019

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Social Welfare

## Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## Summary (as of Mar 14, 2019)

### Ruthie and Connie LGBT Elder Americans Act of 2019

This bill addresses matters related to lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) individuals in certain federal programs serving older Americans. It includes an individual's LGBT status within the scope of the *greatest social needs* served by such programs. In addition, an LGBT individual shall be considered a minority for purposes of such programs and services for older adults.

Among other activities, the Administration on Aging must (1) establish the National Resource Center on Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Aging to provide eligible organizations with information and technical assistance to effectively serve older LGBT individuals; and (2) collect data and report on the extent and effectiveness of services provided to older LGBT individuals. The administration may designate within it a person with responsibility for addressing issues affecting LGBT older individuals.

The Long-Term Care Ombudsman of each state must collect and analyze data related to discrimination against LGBT older individuals in long-term care settings.

## Actions Timeline

- **Mar 14, 2019:** Introduced in House
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