

## HR 1811

Countering the Chinese Government and Communist Party's Political Influence Operations Act

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### Committee Activity

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116 S 480	Related bill	<b>Feb 13, 2019:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

## Countering the Chinese Government and Communist Party's Political Influence Operations Act

This bill directs the Department of State to devise a long-term strategy to counter the Chinese government's political influence operations.

The strategy shall seek to counter the ruling Chinese Communist Party's campaigns to corrupt democratic countries and undermine democratic institutions, both in the United States and elsewhere. It shall also seek to increase awareness of such campaigns and help other countries develop the capacity to counter them.

The strategy shall also ensure that Chinese nationals living in the United States, as well as Chinese Americans and members of the Uyghur and Tibetan diaspora, are protected against malign political influence operations, such as surveillance and intimidation.

The State Department shall also report to Congress about Chinese government efforts to exert influence in the United States and in U.S. partner countries, and suggestions for countering such efforts. The report shall address issues including attempts to (1) influence government institutions and officials, (2) undermine democratic institutions and freedom of speech, and (3) suppress public information.

### Actions Timeline

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- **May 3, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.
- **Mar 18, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 18, 2019:** Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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.