

HR 2515

Whistleblower Protection Reform Act of 2019

Congress: 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Finance and Financial Sector

Introduced: May 3, 2019

Current Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

Latest Action: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (Jul 10, 2019)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Green, Al [D-TX-9]

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

Cosponsors (8 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Huizenga, Bill [R-MI-2]	R · MI		May 3, 2019
Rep. Maloney, Carolyn B. [D-NY-12]	D · NY		May 3, 2019
Rep. Beatty, Joyce [D-OH-3]	D · OH		May 8, 2019
Rep. Connolly, Gerald E. [D-VA-11]	D · VA		May 8, 2019
Rep. Gonzalez, Vicente [D-TX-15]	D · TX		May 8, 2019
Rep. Meeks, Gregory W. [D-NY-5]	D · NY		May 8, 2019
Rep. Cleaver, Emanuel [D-MO-5]	D · MO		Jul 9, 2019
Rep. Taylor, Van [R-TX-3]	R · TX		Jul 9, 2019

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jul 10, 2019
Financial Services Committee	House	Referred To	May 3, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Finance and Financial Sector

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 6197	Related bill	Mar 11, 2020: Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.
116 S 2529	Related bill	Sep 23, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

Whistleblower Protection Reform Act of 2019

This bill expands the definition of a whistleblower with regard to securities law violations. Specifically, the bill extends protections from retaliation to individuals who (1) make disclosures to certain individuals at their place of employment regarding conduct in violation of any law under Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) jurisdiction, (2) assist in an SEC investigation of these violations, or (3) make disclosures that are required or protected under any law subject to SEC jurisdiction. Currently, these protections apply only to individuals who report information directly to the SEC.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 10, 2019:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
- **Jul 9, 2019:** Ms. Waters moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Jul 9, 2019:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H5276-5278)
- **Jul 9, 2019:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 2515.
- **Jul 9, 2019:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **Jul 9, 2019:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H5287-5288)
- **Jul 9, 2019:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 410 - 12 (Roll no. 431).(text: CR H5276)
- **Jul 9, 2019:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 410 - 12 (Roll no. 431). (text: CR H5276)
- **Jul 9, 2019:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jul 9, 2019:** The title of the measure was amended. Agreed to without objection.
- **May 3, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **May 3, 2019:** Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.