

HR 2654

Strengthening Social Security Act of 2019

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Social Welfare

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Current Status: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Education and Labor

Latest Action: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Education and Labor, 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. (May 9, 2019)

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Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		May 9, 2019
Rep. Lee, Barbara [D-CA-13]	D · CA		May 9, 2019
Rep. Lynch, Stephen F. [D-MA-8]	D · MA		May 9, 2019
Rep. McCollum, Betty [D-MN-4]	D · MN		May 9, 2019
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Rep. Richmond, Cedric L. [D-LA-2]	D · LA		May 9, 2019
Rep. Rush, Bobby L. [D-IL-1]	D · IL		May 9, 2019
Rep. Schakowsky, Janice D. [D-IL-9]	D · IL		May 9, 2019
Rep. Smith, Adam [D-WA-9]	D · WA		May 9, 2019
Rep. Thompson, Bennie G. [D-MS-2]	D · MS		May 9, 2019
Rep. Wasserman Schultz, Debbie [D-FL-23]	D · FL		May 9, 2019
Rep. Wild, Susan [D-PA-7]	D · PA		May 9, 2019
Rep. Napolitano, Grace F. [D-CA-32]	D · CA		Jul 1, 2020

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	May 9, 2019
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	May 9, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Social Welfare

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 1540	Related bill	Mar 5, 2019: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

Summary (as of May 9, 2019)

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This bill expands benefits, and increases specified taxes, related to the Old-Age, Survivors, and Disability Insurance program.

Changes to benefits include (1) increasing the primary insurance amount for certain beneficiaries, (2) calculating cost-of-living adjustments by using a price index that tracks the spending patterns of older consumers, and (3) establishing an alternative benefit for widows or widowers in two-income households.

Changes to taxes include phasing out the cap on earnings subject to the Social Security payroll tax. Under current law, the maximum amount subject to this tax is \$132,900.

Actions Timeline

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