

## S 3185

Bogus Bonus Ban Act of 2020

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### Sponsor

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**Party:** Republican • **State:** IA • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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### Committee Activity

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Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jan 14, 2020

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### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 2145	Related bill	<b>Jul 17, 2019:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

## **Bogus Bonus Ban Act of 2020**

This bill directs the Office of Management and Budget, in coordination with federal departments and agencies, to issue guidance, with detailed implementation instructions, on the appropriate use of award and incentive fees in department or agency programs.

The guidance shall, among other things

- ensure that all new contracts using award fees link such fees to outcomes (which shall be defined in terms of program cost, schedule, and performance);
- establish criteria for identifying the appropriate level of officials authorized to approve the use of award and incentive fees in new contracts;
- ensure that no award fee may be paid for contractor performance that is judged to be below satisfactory performance or performance that does not meet the basic requirements of the contract; and
- provide for the development of performance measures to evaluate the effectiveness of award and incentive fees as a tool for improving contractor performance and achieving desired program outcomes.

Any funds intended to be awarded as incentive fees that are not paid due to the inability of a contractor to meet the criteria established by this bill shall be deobligated and made available for purposes for which the funds are otherwise allowable.

The Department of the Treasury shall include *award fee* as a filter on USAspending.gov.

## **Actions Timeline**

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