

## HR 3281

Deceptive Practices and Voter Intimidation Prevention Act of 2019

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Government Operations and Politics

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## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 28, 2019
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## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 4617	Related bill	Oct 28, 2019: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.
116 S 1834	Related bill	Jun 13, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
116 S 949	Related bill	Mar 28, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
116 HR 1275	Related bill	Mar 22, 2019: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.
116 HR 1	Related bill	Mar 14, 2019: Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 39.
116 S 549	Related bill	Feb 25, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

## Summary (as of Jun 13, 2019)

### Deceptive Practices and Voter Intimidation Prevention Act of 2019

This bill generally prohibits deceptive practices, false statements, and voter interference regarding federal elections. Specifically, the bill prohibits any person, within 60 days before an election, from communicating, causing to be communicated, or producing for communication certain information on voting, if the person (1) knows such information to be materially false, and (2) has the intent to impede or prevent another person from exercising the right to vote in an election.

The bill also prohibits false statements regarding public endorsements and hindering, interfering with, or preventing voting or registering to vote.

A private right of action for preventive relief is established for persons aggrieved by violations of these prohibitions.

Criminal penalties are also established for violations.

If the Department of Justice (DOJ) receives a credible report that materially false information has been or is being communicated in violation of these prohibitions, DOJ must communicate to the public accurate information designed to correct the materially false information.

## Actions Timeline

- Jun 28, 2019: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- Jun 28, 2019: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.
- Jun 28, 2019: Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, and the Internet.
- Jun 13, 2019: Introduced in House
- Jun 13, 2019: Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.