

## S 3313

### Foreign Influence Transparency Act

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** International Affairs

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## Sponsor

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

## Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Cotton, Tom [R-AR]	R · AR		Feb 13, 2020
Sen. Portman, Rob [R-OH]	R · OH		Feb 13, 2020

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Relations Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 13, 2020

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

International Affairs

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 7063	Identical bill	May 28, 2020: Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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.

## Foreign Influence Transparency Act

This bill addresses foreign influence in higher education and in certain other academic, religious, and artistic pursuits.

Current law exempts from foreign agent registration requirements a person engaging in activities in furtherance of religious, scholastic, academic, or scientific pursuits or of the fine arts. The bill specifies that this exemption applies only to those activities that do not promote the political agenda of a foreign government.

Under current law, an institution of higher education is required to disclose to the Department of Education a gift or contract that is from a foreign source and is valued at \$250,000 or more, considered alone or in combination with all other gifts from or contracts with a foreign source. The bill instead requires the institution to disclose such a gift or contract that is valued at \$50,000 or more.

An institution must include in its disclosure report the contents of any such contract and make the contents available for public disclosure.

## Actions Timeline

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