

S 3412

Guidance Clarity Act of 2020

Congress: 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Government Operations and Politics

Introduced: Mar 5, 2020

Current Status: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 590.

Latest Action: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 590. (Nov 17, 2020)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Lankford, James [R-OK]

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

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Reported By	Nov 17, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 5270	Related bill	Nov 26, 2019: Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Reform.

Summary (as of Nov 17, 2020)

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This bill requires federal agencies to state on the first page of guidance documents that such guidance (1) does not have the force and effect of law, and (2) is intended only to provide clarity to the public about existing legal requirements or agency policies. Excluded from this requirement is guidance directed to the issuing agency or other agency that is not intended to have a substantial effect on the behavior of regulated parties, as well as internal executive branch legal advice or opinions addressed to executive branch officials.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 17, 2020:** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Reported by Senator Johnson without amendment. With written report No. 116-297.
- **Nov 17, 2020:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 590.
- **Mar 11, 2020:** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Mar 5, 2020:** Introduced in Senate
- **Mar 5, 2020:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.