

HR 36

Combating Sexual Harassment in Science Act of 2019

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Chamber: House

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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • **State:** TX • **Chamber:** House

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Rep. Kuster, Ann M. [D-NH-2]	D · NH		Jan 24, 2019
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Rep. Levin, Andy [D-MI-9]	D · MI		Jan 24, 2019
Rep. Porter, Katie [D-CA-45]	D · CA		Jan 24, 2019
Rep. Soto, Darren [D-FL-9]	D · FL		Jan 24, 2019
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Rep. Huffman, Jared [D-CA-2]	D · CA		Feb 25, 2019
Rep. Lujan, Ben Ray [D-NM-3]	D · NM		Feb 25, 2019
Rep. Maloney, Carolyn B. [D-NY-12]	D · NY		Feb 25, 2019
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Rep. McNerney, Jerry [D-CA-9]	D · CA		Feb 25, 2019
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Rep. Dean, Madeleine [D-PA-4]	D · PA		Mar 11, 2019
Rep. Neguse, Joe [D-CO-2]	D · CO		Mar 11, 2019
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Rep. Castor, Kathy [D-FL-14]	D · FL		Apr 8, 2019
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Rep. Hill, Katie [D-CA-25]	D · CA		Apr 8, 2019
Rep. Houlahan, Chrissy [D-PA-6]	D · PA		Apr 8, 2019
Rep. Pocan, Mark [D-WI-2]	D · WI		Apr 8, 2019
Rep. Trahan, Lori [D-MA-3]	D · MA		Apr 8, 2019
Rep. Doyle, Michael F. [D-PA-18]	D · PA		May 1, 2019
Rep. Harder, Josh [D-CA-10]	D · CA		May 1, 2019
Rep. Raskin, Jamie [D-MD-8]	D · MD		May 1, 2019
Rep. Rice, Kathleen M. [D-NY-4]	D · NY		May 1, 2019
Rep. Sherman, Brad [D-CA-30]	D · CA		May 1, 2019
Rep. Sires, Albio [D-NJ-8]	D · NJ		May 1, 2019
Rep. Stevens, Haley M. [D-MI-11]	D · MI		May 1, 2019
Rep. Welch, Peter [D-VT-At Large]	D · VT		May 1, 2019
Rep. Cox, TJ [D-CA-21]	D · CA		May 10, 2019
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Rep. Panetta, Jimmy [D-CA-20]	D · CA		May 10, 2019
Rep. Cartwright, Matt [D-PA-8]	D · PA		May 17, 2019
Rep. Mucarsel-Powell, Debbie [D-FL-26]	D · FL		May 17, 2019
Rep. Gonzalez, Anthony [R-OH-16]	R · OH		May 23, 2019

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Rep. Omar, Ilhan [D-MN-5]	D · MN		May 23, 2019
Rep. Pappas, Chris [D-NH-1]	D · NH		May 23, 2019
Rep. Swalwell, Eric [D-CA-15]	D · CA		May 23, 2019
Rep. Yarmuth, John A. [D-KY-3]	D · KY		May 30, 2019
Rep. Levin, Mike [D-CA-49]	D · CA		Jun 11, 2019
Rep. Moulton, Seth [D-MA-6]	D · MA		Jun 11, 2019
Rep. Balderson, Troy [R-OH-12]	R · OH		Jun 19, 2019
Rep. Fletcher, Lizzie [D-TX-7]	D · TX		Jun 19, 2019
Rep. Horn, Kendra S. [D-OK-5]	D · OK		Jun 19, 2019
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Rep. Waltz, Michael [R-FL-6]	R · FL		Jun 19, 2019
Rep. Wexton, Jennifer [D-VA-10]	D · VA		Jun 19, 2019
Resident Commissioner González-Colón, Jenniffer [R-PR-At Large]	R · PR		Jun 19, 2019
Rep. DeLauro, Rosa L. [D-CT-3]	D · CT		Jul 12, 2019
Rep. Lieu, Ted [D-CA-33]	D · CA		Jul 12, 2019
Rep. Sarbanes, John P. [D-MD-3]	D · MD		Jul 12, 2019

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jul 24, 2019
Science, Space, and Technology Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 12, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Science, Technology, Communications

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Combating Sexual Harassment in Science Act of 2019

This bill addresses sexual harassment and gender harassment in the science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) fields by supporting research regarding such harassment and efforts to prevent and respond to such harassment.

This bill directs the National Science Foundation (NSF) to award grants to institutions of higher education or nonprofit organizations (or their consortia) to

- expand research into sexual harassment and gender harassment in the STEM workforce, including students and trainees; and
- examine interventions for reducing the incidence and negative consequences of such harassment.

The NSF must convene a working group composed of representatives of federal statistical agencies to develop questions on sexual harassment and gender harassment in STEM departments in order to gather national data on the prevalence, nature, and implications of such harassment in institutions of higher education.

The NSF shall enter into agreements with the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine to (1) update a responsible conduct guide issued by the National Academies to include, among other things, updated professional standards of conduct in research and evidence-based practices for fostering a climate that is intolerant of sexual harassment and gender harassment; and (2) study the influence of such harassment in institutions of higher education on the career advancement of individuals in the STEM workforce.

The National Science and Technology Council shall establish an interagency working group to coordinate the federal science agencies' efforts to reduce the prevalence of sexual harassment and gender harassment involving grant personnel.

The Office of Science and Technology Policy must develop a uniform set of policy guidelines for such agencies to prevent and respond to reports of sexual harassment and gender harassment.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 24, 2019:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
- **Jul 23, 2019:** Ms. Johnson (TX) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Jul 23, 2019:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H7173-7176)
- **Jul 23, 2019:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 36.
- **Jul 23, 2019:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H7173-7175)
- **Jul 23, 2019:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H7173-7175)
- **Jul 23, 2019:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jul 12, 2019:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. H. Rept. 116-153.
- **Jul 12, 2019:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 115.
- **Jun 20, 2019:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jun 20, 2019:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Feb 12, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Research and Technology.
- **Jan 3, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 3, 2019:** Referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.