

S 4340

SACRED Act

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Civil Rights and Liberties, Minority Issues

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Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Jul 28, 2020)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Cruz, Ted [R-TX]

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

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jul 28, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 4537	Related bill	Sep 8, 2020: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Safeguarding Americans from Coronavirus and Religious Exercise Discrimination Act or the SACRED Act

This bill makes a state or local jurisdiction that discriminates against religious individuals or religious institutions ineligible to receive or use funds allocated, appropriated, or authorized to address COVID-19 (i.e., coronavirus disease 2019).

Specifically, a state or local jurisdiction violates this bill's prohibition if it (1) enforces, or announces the intent to enforce, any law, regulation, policy, order, proclamation, or decree related to COVID-19 that discriminates against religious individuals or religious institutions; or (2) provides, or shows an intention to provide, funds to a separate jurisdiction that is ineligible to receive or use those funds because the jurisdiction has committed a violation.

The Department of Justice shall determine whether a state or local jurisdiction is ineligible to receive or use such funds.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 28, 2020:** Introduced in Senate
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