

## HR 4421

### Bankruptcy Venue Reform Act of 2019

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Law

**Introduced:** Sep 19, 2019

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Antitrust, Commercial, and Administrative Law.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Antitrust, Commercial, and Administrative Law. (Oct 28, 2019)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-bill/4421>

## Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Lofgren, Zoe [D-CA-19]

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

## Cosponsors (20 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Crist, Charlie [D-FL-13]	D · FL		Sep 19, 2019
Rep. Sensenbrenner, F. James, Jr. [R-WI-5]	R · WI		Sep 19, 2019
Rep. Steube, W. Gregory [R-FL-17]	R · FL		Sep 19, 2019
Rep. Neal, Richard E. [D-MA-1]	D · MA		Oct 28, 2019
Rep. Burgess, Michael C. [R-TX-26]	R · TX		Nov 13, 2019
Rep. Lynch, Stephen F. [D-MA-8]	D · MA		Nov 13, 2019
Rep. Gooden, Lance [R-TX-5]	R · TX		Nov 22, 2019
Rep. Kennedy, Joseph P., III [D-MA-4]	D · MA		Dec 23, 2019
Rep. Kirkpatrick, Ann [D-AZ-2]	D · AZ		May 1, 2020
Rep. McGovern, James P. [D-MA-2]	D · MA		May 1, 2020
Rep. Pressley, Ayanna [D-MA-7]	D · MA		May 1, 2020
Rep. Stanton, Greg [D-AZ-9]	D · AZ		May 1, 2020
Rep. Stevens, Haley M. [D-MI-11]	D · MI		May 1, 2020
Rep. Thompson, Mike [D-CA-5]	D · CA		May 1, 2020
Rep. Timmons, William R. IV [R-SC-4]	R · SC		May 1, 2020
Rep. Brooks, Susan W. [R-IN-5]	R · IN		May 14, 2020
Rep. Cooper, Jim [D-TN-5]	D · TN		May 14, 2020
Rep. Horn, Kendra S. [D-OK-5]	D · OK		Jun 4, 2020
Rep. Cunningham, Joe [D-SC-1]	D · SC		Jun 15, 2020
Rep. Finkenauer, Abby [D-IA-1]	D · IA		Oct 23, 2020

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Oct 28, 2019

## Subjects & Policy Tags

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### Policy Area:

Law

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 5032	Related bill	Dec 16, 2020: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

### Summary (as of Sep 19, 2019)

#### Bankruptcy Venue Reform Act of 2019

This bill limits where a non-individual debtor (e.g., a corporate debtor) may file for chapter 11 bankruptcy. Specifically, these debtors must file in the district court for the district in which the principal place of business or principal assets of the debtor are located. Under current law, these debtors may also file where they are domiciled (i.e., incorporated) or where there is a chapter 11 case pending concerning an affiliate, general partner, or partnership.

For certain debtors who are issuers of securities, their principal place of business is defined in the bill as the address of the entity's principal executive office as provided in specified Securities and Exchange Commission filings.

### Actions Timeline

- **Oct 28, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Antitrust, Commercial, and Administrative Law.
- **Sep 19, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 19, 2019:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.