

HR 5080

HOPE for Victims of Human Trafficking Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

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Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security. (Dec 18, 2019)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Spano, Ross [R-FL-15]

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

Cosponsors (14 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Deutch, Theodore E. [D-FL-22]	D · FL		Nov 14, 2019
Rep. Diaz-Balart, Mario [R-FL-25]	R · FL		Nov 14, 2019
Rep. Hastings, Alcee L. [D-FL-20]	D · FL		Nov 14, 2019
Rep. Waltz, Michael [R-FL-6]	R · FL		Nov 14, 2019
Rep. Gaetz, Matt [R-FL-1]	R · FL		Nov 19, 2019
Rep. Soto, Darren [D-FL-9]	D · FL		Nov 19, 2019
Rep. Bilirakis, Gus M. [R-FL-12]	R · FL		Jan 24, 2020
Rep. Cunningham, Joe [D-SC-1]	D · SC		Feb 5, 2020
Rep. Steube, W. Gregory [R-FL-17]	R · FL		Feb 5, 2020
Rep. Lawson, Al, Jr. [D-FL-5]	D · FL		Feb 6, 2020
Rep. Mast, Brian J. [R-FL-18]	R · FL		Feb 6, 2020
Rep. Green, Mark E. [R-TN-7]	R · TN		Feb 26, 2020
Rep. Rutherford, John H. [R-FL-4]	R · FL		Mar 2, 2020
Rep. Phillips, Dean [D-MN-3]	D · MN		Aug 28, 2020

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	Nov 14, 2019
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Dec 18, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Nov 14, 2019)

Help Obtaining Presumption of Exoneration for Victims of Human Trafficking Act or the HOPE for Victims of Human Trafficking Act

This bill establishes a rebuttable presumption that certain offenses were induced by coercion if the defendant establishes that he or she was a victim of human trafficking at the time of the offense.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 18, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- **Nov 14, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Nov 14, 2019:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H8870)
- **Nov 14, 2019:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, 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.