

## HR 5080

### HOPE for Victims of Human Trafficking Act

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Crime and Law Enforcement

**Introduced:** Nov 14, 2019

**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)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-bill/5080>

### 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

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*No related bills are listed.*

## Summary (as of Nov 14, 2019)

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### 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

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- **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.