

HR 5342

Supporting America's First Responders Act of 2019

Congress: 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Taxation

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Current Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

Latest Action: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means. (Dec 6, 2019)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Pascrell, Bill, Jr. [D-NJ-9]

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

Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Rose, Max [D-NY-11]	D · NY		Dec 10, 2019
Rep. Boyle, Brendan F. [D-PA-2]	D · PA		Dec 11, 2019
Rep. Sires, Albio [D-NJ-8]	D · NJ		Dec 11, 2019
Rep. Finkenauer, Abby [D-IA-1]	D · IA		Feb 11, 2020

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Dec 6, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Taxation

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 3178	Related bill	Jan 9, 2020: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
116 HR 5377	Related bill	Jan 3, 2020: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Summary (as of Dec 6, 2019)

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This bill allows a deduction from gross income (above-the-line deduction) for expenses of first responders up to \$500.

Those expenses are for (1) tuition or fees for professional development courses related to service as a first responder, or (2) uniforms used by the first responder. The bill defines "first responder" as any individual who is a law enforcement officer, firefighter, paramedic, or emergency medical technician for at least 1,000 hours during the taxable year.

Actions Timeline

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