

HR 5377

Restoring Tax Fairness for States and Localities Act

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jan 3, 2020
Ways and Means Committee	House	Reported By	Dec 13, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Taxation

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 3178	Identical bill	Jan 9, 2020: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
116 HRES 772	Related bill	Dec 19, 2019: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
116 HR 5342	Related bill	Dec 6, 2019: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.
116 HR 5352	Related bill	Dec 6, 2019: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

Summary (as of Dec 19, 2019)

Restoring Tax Fairness for States and Localities Act

This bill increases the tax deduction for state and local taxes in 2019 to \$20,000 for persons filing a joint tax return if the adjusted gross income of the taxpayer does not exceed \$100 million. It eliminates the current \$10,000 cap on the deduction in 2020 and 2021 except for taxpayers whose adjusted gross income exceeds \$100 million.

The bill increases the deduction for the expenses of elementary and secondary school teachers from \$250 to \$1,000. It also allows a deduction from gross income (above-the-line deduction) for expenses of first responders, up to \$1,000, for tuition or fees for professional development courses related to service as a first responder or for uniforms used by first responders. The bill defines "first responder" as any individual employed as a law enforcement officer, firefighter, paramedic, or emergency medical technician for at least 1,000 hours during the taxable year.

The bill increases the top marginal income tax rate to 39.6% beginning in 2020, and reduces the dollar amount at which the increased tax rate begins.

Actions Timeline

- **Jan 3, 2020:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
- **Dec 19, 2019:** Considered under the provisions of rule H. Res. 772. (consideration: CR H12270-12284; text: CR H12270-12271)
- **Dec 19, 2019:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on H.R. 5377.
- **Dec 19, 2019:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with further debate on H.R. 5377.
- **Dec 19, 2019:** The previous question was ordered pursuant to the rule.
- **Dec 19, 2019:** Mr. Rice (SC) moved to recommit with instructions to the Committee on Ways and Means. (text: CR H12281)
- **Dec 19, 2019:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Rice (SC) motion to recommit with instructions. The instructions contained in the motion seek to require the bill to be reported back to the House with an amendment to strike and amend language in sections 2(a), 3(a), 4(a), 4(b)(2), 5(a), and 5(c) of the bill.
- **Dec 19, 2019:** The previous question on the motion to recommit with instructions was ordered without objection.
- **Dec 19, 2019:** On motion to recommit with instructions Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: 388 - 36 (Roll no. 699).
- **Dec 19, 2019:** Passed/agreed to in House: On passage Passed by recorded vote: 218 - 206 (Roll no. 700).
- **Dec 19, 2019:** On passage Passed by recorded vote: 218 - 206 (Roll no. 700).
- **Dec 19, 2019:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Dec 13, 2019:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Ways and Means. H. Rept. 116-345.
- **Dec 13, 2019:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 275.
- **Dec 11, 2019:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Dec 11, 2019:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 24 - 17.
- **Dec 10, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Dec 10, 2019:** Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.