

## HR 5779

Grand Jury Reform Act of 2020

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Crime and Law Enforcement

**Introduced:** Feb 6, 2020

**Current Status:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary. (Feb 6, 2020)

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## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Feb 6, 2020

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

## Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## Summary (as of Feb 6, 2020)

### Grand Jury Reform Act of 2020

This bill conditions a state or local government's receipt of funds under the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant program on the state's compliance with certain requirements following an incident involving the use of deadly force by a local law enforcement officer that results in a person's death.

Specifically, the governor must appoint a special prosecutor to present evidence before a judge to determine whether probable cause exists to criminally charge the law enforcement officer. The hearing must be open to the public.

## Actions Timeline

- **Feb 6, 2020:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 6, 2020:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.