

## HR 7798

### Promotion Accessibility Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** International Affairs

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**Current Status:** Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs. (Jul 27, 2020)

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### Sponsor

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

### Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 27, 2020

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

International Affairs

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 8912	Related bill	<b>Dec 9, 2020:</b> Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.

### Summary (as of Jul 27, 2020)

#### Promotion Accessibility Act

This bill authorizes members of the Foreign Service or the Senior Foreign Service to submit a gap memo in advance of having their performance evaluated by a selection board, and it prohibits members of a selection board from considering such a submission as negative when evaluating a member's performance.

A gap memo is a written record indicating and explaining a gap in the record of a member that is due to personal circumstances, including for health, family, or other reasons.

## Actions Timeline

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