

## HR 8997

### Civil Asset Forfeiture Elimination Act

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Law

**Introduced:** Dec 17, 2020

**Current Status:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce,

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 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. (Dec 17, 2020)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-bill/8997>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Amash, Justin [L-MI-3]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** MI • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors

*No cosponsors are listed for this bill.*

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	Dec 17, 2020
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Dec 17, 2020

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Law

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of Dec 17, 2020)

#### Civil Asset Forfeiture Elimination Act

This bill prohibits federal civil asset forfeiture and imposes restrictions on state civil asset forfeiture.

Specifically, property belonging to a person may be forfeited to a state government pursuant to a civil proceeding only after (1) a criminal conviction of the property owner under state criminal law; or (2) the state, in a civil proceeding where the property owner has the same constitutional rights provided to criminal defendants, proves that the property owner has committed the offense giving rise to the forfeiture.

## Actions Timeline

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