

HR 1280

George Floyd Justice in Policing Act of 2021

Congress: 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

Introduced: Feb 24, 2021

Current Status: Received in the Senate.

Latest Action: Received in the Senate. (Mar 9, 2021)

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (199 total)

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Rep. Bera, Ami [D-CA-7]	D · CA		Feb 24, 2021
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Rep. Bowman, Jamaal [D-NY-16]	D · NY		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Boyle, Brendan F. [D-PA-2]	D · PA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Brown, Anthony G. [D-MD-4]	D · MD		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Brownley, Julia [D-CA-26]	D · CA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Butterfield, G. K. [D-NC-1]	D · NC		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Carbajal, Salud O. [D-CA-24]	D · CA		Feb 24, 2021
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Rep. Cartwright, Matt [D-PA-8]	D · PA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Casten, Sean [D-IL-6]	D · IL		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Castor, Kathy [D-FL-14]	D · FL		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Castro, Joaquin [D-TX-20]	D · TX		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Chu, Judy [D-CA-27]	D · CA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Cicilline, David N. [D-RI-1]	D · RI		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Clark, Katherine M. [D-MA-5]	D · MA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Clarke, Yvette D. [D-NY-9]	D · NY		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Cleaver, Emanuel [D-MO-5]	D · MO		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Clyburn, James E. [D-SC-6]	D · SC		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Connolly, Gerald E. [D-VA-11]	D · VA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Cooper, Jim [D-TN-5]	D · TN		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Correa, J. Luis [D-CA-46]	D · CA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Courtney, Joe [D-CT-2]	D · CT		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Crow, Jason [D-CO-6]	D · CO		Feb 24, 2021

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Rep. Davis, Danny K. [D-IL-7]	D · IL		Feb 24, 2021
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Rep. DeFazio, Peter A. [D-OR-4]	D · OR		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. DeGette, Diana [D-CO-1]	D · CO		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. DeLauro, Rosa L. [D-CT-3]	D · CT		Feb 24, 2021
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Rep. Doyle, Michael F. [D-PA-18]	D · PA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Escobar, Veronica [D-TX-16]	D · TX		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Eshoo, Anna G. [D-CA-18]	D · CA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Espaillat, Adriano [D-NY-13]	D · NY		Feb 24, 2021
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Rep. Foster, Bill [D-IL-11]	D · IL		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Frankel, Lois [D-FL-21]	D · FL		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Fudge, Marcia L. [D-OH-11]	D · OH		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Gallego, Ruben [D-AZ-7]	D · AZ		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Garamendi, John [D-CA-3]	D · CA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Garcia, Jesus G. "Chuy" [D-IL-4]	D · IL		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Garcia, Sylvia R. [D-TX-29]	D · TX		Feb 24, 2021
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Rep. Green, Al [D-TX-9]	D · TX		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-3]	D · AZ		Feb 24, 2021
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Rep. Hayes, Jahana [D-CT-5]	D · CT		Feb 24, 2021
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Rep. Horsford, Steven [D-NV-4]	D · NV		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Houlahan, Chrissy [D-PA-6]	D · PA		Feb 24, 2021
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Rep. Huffman, Jared [D-CA-2]	D · CA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Jackson Lee, Sheila [D-TX-18]	D · TX		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Jacobs, Sara [D-CA-53]	D · CA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Jayapal, Pramila [D-WA-7]	D · WA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Jeffries, Hakeem S. [D-NY-8]	D · NY		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Johnson, Eddie Bernice [D-TX-30]	D · TX		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Johnson, Henry C. "Hank," Jr. [D-GA-4]	D · GA		Feb 24, 2021

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Rep. Jones, Mondaire [D-NY-17]	D · NY		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Kahele, Kaiali'i [D-HI-2]	D · HI		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Kaptur, Marcy [D-OH-9]	D · OH		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Keating, William R. [D-MA-9]	D · MA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Kelly, Robin L. [D-IL-2]	D · IL		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Khanna, Ro [D-CA-17]	D · CA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Kildee, Daniel T. [D-MI-5]	D · MI		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Kilmer, Derek [D-WA-6]	D · WA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Kim, Andy [D-NJ-3]	D · NJ		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Kirkpatrick, Ann [D-AZ-2]	D · AZ		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Krishnamoorthi, Raja [D-IL-8]	D · IL		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Kuster, Ann M. [D-NH-2]	D · NH		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Langevin, James R. [D-RI-2]	D · RI		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Larsen, Rick [D-WA-2]	D · WA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Larson, John B. [D-CT-1]	D · CT		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Lawrence, Brenda L. [D-MI-14]	D · MI		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Lawson, Al, Jr. [D-FL-5]	D · FL		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Lee, Barbara [D-CA-13]	D · CA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Leger Fernandez, Teresa [D-NM-3]	D · NM		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Levin, Andy [D-MI-9]	D · MI		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Levin, Mike [D-CA-49]	D · CA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Lieu, Ted [D-CA-33]	D · CA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Lofgren, Zoe [D-CA-19]	D · CA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Lowenthal, Alan S. [D-CA-47]	D · CA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Lynch, Stephen F. [D-MA-8]	D · MA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Malinowski, Tom [D-NJ-7]	D · NJ		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Maloney, Carolyn B. [D-NY-12]	D · NY		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Maloney, Sean Patrick [D-NY-18]	D · NY		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Manning, Kathy E. [D-NC-6]	D · NC		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Matsui, Doris O. [D-CA-6]	D · CA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. McBath, Lucy [D-GA-6]	D · GA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. McCollum, Betty [D-MN-4]	D · MN		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. McEachin, A. Donald [D-VA-4]	D · VA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. McGovern, James P. [D-MA-2]	D · MA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. McNerney, Jerry [D-CA-9]	D · CA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Meeks, Gregory W. [D-NY-5]	D · NY		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Meng, Grace [D-NY-6]	D · NY		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Mfume, Kweisi [D-MD-7]	D · MD		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Moore, Gwen [D-WI-4]	D · WI		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Morelle, Joseph D. [D-NY-25]	D · NY		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Moulton, Seth [D-MA-6]	D · MA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Mrvan, Frank J. [D-IN-1]	D · IN		Feb 24, 2021

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Rep. Nadler, Jerrold [D-NY-10]	D · NY		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Napolitano, Grace F. [D-CA-32]	D · CA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Neal, Richard E. [D-MA-1]	D · MA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Neguse, Joe [D-CO-2]	D · CO		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Newman, Marie [D-IL-3]	D · IL		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Norcross, Donald [D-NJ-1]	D · NJ		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. O'Halleran, Tom [D-AZ-1]	D · AZ		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Omar, Ilhan [D-MN-5]	D · MN		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Pallone, Frank, Jr. [D-NJ-6]	D · NJ		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Panetta, Jimmy [D-CA-20]	D · CA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Payne, Donald M., Jr. [D-NJ-10]	D · NJ		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Pelosi, Nancy [D-CA-12]	D · CA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Perlmutter, Ed [D-CO-7]	D · CO		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Peters, Scott H. [D-CA-52]	D · CA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Pingree, Chellie [D-ME-1]	D · ME		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Pocan, Mark [D-WI-2]	D · WI		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Price, David E. [D-NC-4]	D · NC		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Raskin, Jamie [D-MD-8]	D · MD		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Rice, Kathleen M. [D-NY-4]	D · NY		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Ross, Deborah K. [D-NC-2]	D · NC		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Roybal-Allard, Lucille [D-CA-40]	D · CA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Ruiz, Raul [D-CA-36]	D · CA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Ruppersberger, C. A. Dutch [D-MD-2]	D · MD		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Rush, Bobby L. [D-IL-1]	D · IL		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Ryan, Tim [D-OH-13]	D · OH		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Sarbanes, John P. [D-MD-3]	D · MD		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Schakowsky, Janice D. [D-IL-9]	D · IL		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Schiff, Adam B. [D-CA-28]	D · CA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Schneider, Bradley Scott [D-IL-10]	D · IL		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Scott, David [D-GA-13]	D · GA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Scott, Robert C. "Bobby" [D-VA-3]	D · VA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Sewell, Terri A. [D-AL-7]	D · AL		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Sherman, Brad [D-CA-30]	D · CA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Sires, Albio [D-NJ-8]	D · NJ		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Smith, Adam [D-WA-9]	D · WA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Soto, Darren [D-FL-9]	D · FL		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Speier, Jackie [D-CA-14]	D · CA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Stanton, Greg [D-AZ-9]	D · AZ		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Stevens, Haley M. [D-MI-11]	D · MI		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Strickland, Marilyn [D-WA-10]	D · WA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Suozzi, Thomas R. [D-NY-3]	D · NY		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Swalwell, Eric [D-CA-15]	D · CA		Feb 24, 2021

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Rep. Takano, Mark [D-CA-41]	D · CA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Thompson, Bennie G. [D-MS-2]	D · MS		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Thompson, Mike [D-CA-5]	D · CA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Titus, Dina [D-NV-1]	D · NV		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Tlaib, Rashida [D-MI-13]	D · MI		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Tonko, Paul [D-NY-20]	D · NY		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Torres, Norma J. [D-CA-35]	D · CA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Torres, Ritchie [D-NY-15]	D · NY		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Trahan, Lori [D-MA-3]	D · MA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Trone, David J. [D-MD-6]	D · MD		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Underwood, Lauren [D-IL-14]	D · IL		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Vargas, Juan [D-CA-51]	D · CA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Veasey, Marc A. [D-TX-33]	D · TX		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Velazquez, Nydia M. [D-NY-7]	D · NY		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Wasserman Schultz, Debbie [D-FL-23]	D · FL		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Waters, Maxine [D-CA-43]	D · CA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Watson Coleman, Bonnie [D-NJ-12]	D · NJ		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Welch, Peter [D-VT-At Large]	D · VT		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Wexton, Jennifer [D-VA-10]	D · VA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Wild, Susan [D-PA-7]	D · PA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Williams, Nikema [D-GA-5]	D · GA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Wilson, Frederica S. [D-FL-24]	D · FL		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Yarmuth, John A. [D-KY-3]	D · KY		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Craig, Angie [D-MN-2]	D · MN		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Luria, Elaine G. [D-VA-2]	D · VA		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Pascrell, Bill, Jr. [D-NJ-9]	D · NJ		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Porter, Katie [D-CA-45]	D · CA		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Sherrill, Mikie [D-NJ-11]	D · NJ		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Cuellar, Henry [D-TX-28]	D · TX		Feb 26, 2021
Rep. Sánchez, Linda T. [D-CA-38]	D · CA		Feb 26, 2021
Rep. Gottheimer, Josh [D-NJ-5]	D · NJ		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Crist, Charlie [D-FL-13]	D · FL		Mar 2, 2021

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred To	Feb 24, 2021
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 25, 2021
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Feb 24, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 2172	Related bill	Oct 19, 2021: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
117 HR 1163	Related bill	Apr 28, 2021: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
117 HR 1347	Related bill	Apr 28, 2021: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
117 HR 1694	Related bill	Mar 9, 2021: Referred to the House Committee on Armed Services.
117 S 597	Related bill	Mar 4, 2021: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
117 HRES 179	Procedurally related	Mar 1, 2021: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
117 S 353	Related bill	Feb 22, 2021: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Summary (as of Mar 3, 2021)

George Floyd Justice in Policing Act of 2021

This bill addresses a wide range of policies and issues regarding policing practices and law enforcement accountability. It increases accountability for law enforcement misconduct, restricts the use of certain policing practices, enhances transparency and data collection, and establishes best practices and training requirements.

The bill enhances existing enforcement mechanisms to remedy violations by law enforcement. Among other things, it does the following:

- lowers the criminal intent standard—from willful to knowing or reckless—to convict a law enforcement officer for misconduct in a federal prosecution,
- limits qualified immunity as a defense to liability in a private civil action against a law enforcement officer, and
- grants administrative subpoena power to the Department of Justice (DOJ) in pattern-or-practice investigations.

It establishes a framework to prevent and remedy racial profiling by law enforcement at the federal, state, and local levels. It also limits the unnecessary use of force and restricts the use of no-knock warrants, chokeholds, and carotid holds.

The bill creates a national registry—the National Police Misconduct Registry—to compile data on complaints and records of police misconduct. It also establishes new reporting requirements, including on the use of force, officer misconduct, and routine policing practices (e.g., stops and searches).

Finally, it directs DOJ to create uniform accreditation standards for law enforcement agencies and requires law enforcement officers to complete training on racial profiling, implicit bias, and the duty to intervene when another officer uses excessive force.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 9, 2021:** Received in the Senate.
- **Mar 3, 2021:** Considered under the provisions of rule H. Res. 179. (consideration: CR H1039-1071)
- **Mar 3, 2021:** Rule provides for consideration of H.R. 1 and H.R. 1280. Rule provides for 1 hour of general debate on H.R. 1 and one motion to recommit. Rule provides for 1 hour of general debate on H.R. 1280 and one motion to recommit.
- **Mar 3, 2021:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on H.R. 1280.
- **Mar 3, 2021:** The previous question was ordered pursuant to the rule.
- **Mar 3, 2021:** Ms. Malliotakis moved to recommit to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text: CR H1069)
- **Mar 3, 2021:** The previous question on the motion to recommit was ordered pursuant to the rule.
- **Mar 3, 2021:** On motion to recommit Failed by the Yeas and Nays: 208 - 219 (Roll no. 59).
- **Mar 3, 2021:** Passed/agreed to in House: On passage Passed by the Yeas and Nays: 220 - 212 (Roll no. 60).(text: CR H1039-1054)
- **Mar 3, 2021:** On passage Passed by the Yeas and Nays: 220 - 212 (Roll no. 60). (text: CR H1039-1054)
- **Mar 3, 2021:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Mar 1, 2021:** Rules Committee Resolution H. Res. 179 Reported to House. Rule provides for consideration of H.R. 1 and H.R. 1280. Rule provides for 1 hour of general debate on H.R. 1 and one motion to recommit. Rule provides for 1 hour of general debate on H.R. 1280 and one motion to recommit.
- **Mar 1, 2021:** Rule H. Res. 179 passed House.
- **Feb 25, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Feb 24, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 24, 2021:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Armed Services, and 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.