

# HR 1412

## BLAST Act

**Congress:** 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Crime and Law Enforcement

**Introduced:** Feb 26, 2021

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties. (Apr 28, 2021)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/house-bill/1412>

## Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Hollingsworth, Trey [R-IN-9]

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

## Cosponsors

*No cosponsors are listed for this bill.*

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 28, 2021

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 7782	Related bill	<b>Nov 1, 2022:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
117 HR 459	Related bill	<b>Mar 5, 2021:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.
117 HR 470	Related bill	<b>Mar 5, 2021:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.
117 S 546	Related bill	<b>Mar 2, 2021:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

## Summary (as of Feb 26, 2021)

### Banning Lobbying and Safeguarding Trust Act or the BLAST Act

This bill revises the post-employment lobbying ban on former Members and elected officers of Congress.

Specifically, it imposes a permanent ban on lobbying contacts by a former Senator (currently, a two-year ban), a former Member of the House of Representatives (currently, a one-year ban), or a former elected officer of the House or Senate (currently, a one-year ban).

## Actions Timeline

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- **Apr 28, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.
- **Feb 26, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 26, 2021:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.