

HR 1489

Civil Rights Enhancement and Law Enforcement Accountability Improvement Act of 2021

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Civil Rights and Liberties, Minority Issues

Introduced: Mar 2, 2021

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security. (May 18, 2021)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]

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

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Judiciary Committee | House | Referred to | May 18, 2021 |
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Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Mar 2, 2021)

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This bill makes an employer of a law enforcement officer acting under color of law vicariously liable, in the same manner and to the same extent as a private employer is liable for the negligent acts of its employees, for that officer's acts or omissions committed within the scope of employment that deprive individuals of their constitutional rights.

The bill prohibits the assertion of a claim of immunity in such actions against law enforcement officers.

Actions Timeline

- **May 18, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.
- **May 18, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- **Mar 2, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 2, 2021:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.