

HR 2679

Foundation of the Federal Bar Association Charter Amendments Act of 2021

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Chabot, Steve [R-OH-1]

Party: Republican • State: OH • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Raskin, Jamie [D-MD-8]	D · MD		Apr 20, 2021

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Apr 20, 2021
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 24, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HRES 486	Related bill	Jun 23, 2021: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

## Foundation of the Federal Bar Association Charter Amendments Act of 2021

This bill revises the federal charter for the Foundation of the Federal Bar Association.

Specifically, the bill (1) eliminates the provision that requires the foundation to be incorporated and domiciled in the District of Columbia; and (2) requires the board of directors to decide, and specify in the bylaws, the location of the principal office.

Additionally, the bylaws—not the charter—must provide for the terms of membership, the responsibilities of the board of directors, and the election of officers. A director or officer, in his or her corporate capacity, is prohibited from contributing to, supporting, or participating in political activities.

The bill allows income and assets of the corporation to be used to reasonably compensate or reimburse expenses of an officer, director, or member; to award a grant to the Federal Bar Association chapter of an officer, director, or member; and to reasonably compensate employees.

Furthermore, the bill expands a prohibition on loans for directors and officers to include members and employees.

Finally, the bill specifies that on dissolution or final liquidation, any remaining assets must be distributed as provided by the board of directors instead of deposited in the Treasury.

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### Actions Timeline

- **Jun 24, 2021:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
- **Jun 23, 2021:** Pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 486, proceedings on H.R. 2679 are considered vacated.
- **Jun 23, 2021:** Passed/agreed to in House: Pursuant to section 11 of H. Res. 486, and the motion offered by Mr. McGovern, the following bills passed under suspension of the rules: H.R. 482; H.R. 704; H.R. 961, as amended; H.R. 1314; H.R. 2571, as amended; H.R. 2679, as amended; H.R. 2694; H.R. 2922, as amended; H.R. 3182; H.R. 3239; H.R. 3241, as amended; H.R. 3723; H.R. 3752; H.R. 3841; S. 409; and S. 1340.(consideration: CR H3026-3052; text: CR H3028-3029)
- **Jun 23, 2021:** Pursuant to section 11 of H. Res. 486, and the motion offered by Mr. McGovern, the following bills passed under suspension of the rules: H.R. 482; H.R. 704; H.R. 961, as amended; H.R. 1314; H.R. 2571, as amended; H.R. 2679, as amended; H.R. 2694; H.R. 2922, as amended; H.R. 3182; H.R. 3239; H.R. 3241, as amended; H.R. 3723; H.R. 3752; H.R. 3841; S. 409; and S. 1340. (consideration: CR H3026-3052; text: CR H3028-3029)
- **Jun 22, 2021:** Ms. Jackson Lee moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Jun 22, 2021:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H2984-2986; text: CR H2984-2985)
- **Jun 22, 2021:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 2679.
- **Jun 22, 2021:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **Apr 20, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 20, 2021:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.