

## HR 2694

Criminal Judicial Administration Act of 2021

**Congress:** 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Crime and Law Enforcement

**Introduced:** Apr 20, 2021

**Current Status:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**Latest Action:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (Jun 24, 2021)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/house-bill/2694>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Jeffries, Hakeem S. [D-NY-8]

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

### Cosponsors (4 total)

| Cosponsor                                   | Party / State | Role | Date Joined  |
|---|---------------|------|--------------|
| Rep. Johnson, Henry C. "Hank," Jr. [D-GA-4] | D · GA        |      | Apr 20, 2021 |
| Rep. McMorris Rodgers, Cathy [R-WA-5]       | R · WA        |      | Apr 20, 2021 |
| Rep. Roy, Chip [R-TX-21]                    | R · TX        |      | Apr 20, 2021 |
| Rep. Taylor, Van [R-TX-3]                   | R · TX        |      | Apr 20, 2021 |

### Committee Activity

| Committee           | Chamber | Activity    | Date         |
|---------------------|---------|-------------|--------------|
| Judiciary Committee | House   | Reported By | Jun 11, 2021 |
| Judiciary Committee | Senate  | Referred To | Jun 24, 2021 |

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Crime and Law Enforcement

### Related Bills

| Bill         | Relationship   | Last Action  |
|--------------|----------------|--|
| 117 S 3271   | Identical bill | <b>Nov 29, 2021:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text: CR S8782) |
| 117 HRES 486 | Related bill   | <b>Jun 23, 2021:</b> Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.         |

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This bill expands the authority of federal judges to reimburse defendants for expenses related to attending court proceedings. The bill also broadens the authority of magistrate court judges.

Currently, when a defendant is released pending further court appearances, federal judges may order the U.S. Marshals Service to provide transportation and subsistence (food and lodging) expenses for a defendant to travel to court appearances, but not expenses during or to return home from such court appearances.

This bill allows federal judges to order the Marshals Service to provide a defendant's transportation and subsistence expenses to return home from court proceedings, as well as subsistence expenses during such proceedings.

Additionally, the bill authorizes magistrate court judges to rule on post-judgment motions pertaining to misdemeanor cases they tried and disposed of. Current law permits magistrate judges to try and dispose of misdemeanors in the district courts if the defendant consents.

## Actions Timeline

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- **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. 2694 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 H3029)
- **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 H3029)
- **Jun 22, 2021:** Mr. Nadler moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Jun 22, 2021:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H2954-2956; text: CR H2954)
- **Jun 22, 2021:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 2694.
- **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.
- **Jun 11, 2021:** Reported by the Committee on Judiciary. H. Rept. 117-58.
- **Jun 11, 2021:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 41.
- **May 18, 2021:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **May 18, 2021:** Ordered to be Reported.
- **Apr 20, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 20, 2021:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.