

HR 3863

Fair Representation Act

Congress: 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Government Operations and Politics

Introduced: Jun 14, 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. (Nov 1, 2022)

Official Text: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/house-bill/3863>

Sponsor

Name: Rep. Beyer, Donald S., Jr. [D-VA-8]

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

Cosponsors (8 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]	D · OR		Jun 14, 2021
Rep. Cooper, Jim [D-TN-5]	D · TN		Jun 14, 2021
Rep. Khanna, Ro [D-CA-17]	D · CA		Jun 14, 2021
Rep. McGovern, James P. [D-MA-2]	D · MA		Jun 14, 2021
Rep. Neguse, Joe [D-CO-2]	D · CO		Jun 14, 2021
Rep. Peters, Scott H. [D-CA-52]	D · CA		Jun 14, 2021
Rep. Raskin, Jamie [D-MD-8]	D · MD		Jun 14, 2021
Rep. Leger Fernandez, Teresa [D-NM-3]	D · NM		Jul 27, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Committee on House Administration	House	Referred To	Jun 14, 2021
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Nov 1, 2022

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 134	Related bill	Mar 1, 2021: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.

Fair Representation Act

This bill sets forth provisions related to ranked choice voting (a system in which voters rank candidates in order of preference) and congressional redistricting.

Specifically, the bill requires (1) that ranked choice voting be used for all elections for Senators and Members of the House of Representatives, (2) that states entitled to six or more Representatives establish districts such that three to five Representatives are elected from each district, and (3) that states entitled to fewer than six Representatives elect all Representatives on an at-large basis.

The bill also requires that congressional redistricting be conducted in accordance with a plan developed by (1) a state-established independent commission; or (2) if such a commission fails to enact a plan, a three-judge panel from a U.S. District Court.

Further, the bill directs the Election Assistance Commission to make payments to states to implement ranked choice voting and carry out congressional redistricting.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 1, 2022:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.
- **Jun 14, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 14, 2021:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on House Administration, 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.