

## HR 4197

### Strengthening Social Security for Survivors Act

**Congress:** 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Social Welfare

**Introduced:** Jun 28, 2021

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Social Security.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Social Security. (Jun 28, 2021)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Estes, Ron [R-KS-4]

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

### Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 28, 2021

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Social Welfare

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of Jun 28, 2021)

#### Strengthening Social Security for Survivors Act

This bill allows eligible widows, widowers, surviving former spouses, parents, and children of a deceased worker to claim Social Security survivor benefits retroactive to the date of the worker's death.

Current law limits retroactive claims for survivors benefits to six months.

### Actions Timeline

- **Jun 28, 2021:** Introduced in House
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