

HR 4827

Judiciary Accountability Act of 2021

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Johnson, Henry C. "Hank," Jr. [D-GA-4]

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

Cosponsors (21 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Mace, Nancy [R-SC-1]	R · SC		Jul 29, 2021
Rep. Nadler, Jerrold [D-NY-10]	D · NY		Jul 29, 2021
Rep. Speier, Jackie [D-CA-14]	D · CA		Jul 29, 2021
Rep. Torres, Norma J. [D-CA-35]	D · CA		Jul 29, 2021
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Oct 15, 2021
Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		Oct 15, 2021
Rep. Dean, Madeleine [D-PA-4]	D · PA		Oct 15, 2021
Rep. Jones, Mondaire [D-NY-17]	D · NY		Oct 15, 2021
Rep. Waters, Maxine [D-CA-43]	D · CA		Oct 15, 2021
Rep. Chu, Judy [D-CA-27]	D · CA		Nov 17, 2021
Rep. Jackson Lee, Sheila [D-TX-18]	D · TX		Jan 19, 2022
Rep. Titus, Dina [D-NV-1]	D · NV		Feb 4, 2022
Rep. Jayapal, Pramila [D-WA-7]	D · WA		Mar 15, 2022
Rep. Ross, Deborah K. [D-NC-2]	D · NC		Mar 15, 2022
Rep. Carson, Andre [D-IN-7]	D · IN		Mar 18, 2022
Rep. Bustos, Cheri [D-IL-17]	D · IL		Mar 24, 2022
Rep. Maloney, Carolyn B. [D-NY-12]	D · NY		Mar 24, 2022
Rep. Watson Coleman, Bonnie [D-NJ-12]	D · NJ		Mar 24, 2022
Rep. Moulton, Seth [D-MA-6]	D · MA		Mar 28, 2022
Rep. Porter, Katie [D-CA-45]	D · CA		Mar 28, 2022
Rep. Garcia, Sylvia R. [D-TX-29]	D · TX		Apr 7, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Nov 1, 2022
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Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 2553	Identical bill	Jul 29, 2021: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (Sponsor introductory remarks on measure: CR S5180)

Summary (as of Jul 29, 2021)

Judiciary Accountability Act of 2021

This bill applies certain civil rights and employee protection laws to judicial branch employees.

Specifically, the bill applies to judicial branch employees laws that prohibit discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex (including sexual orientation or gender identity), national origin, age, or disability.

Further, the bill prohibits retaliation against whistleblowers within the judicial branch.

Additionally, the bill establishes (1) the Commission on Judicial Integrity to oversee a program to prevent workplace misconduct; (2) the Office of Judicial Integrity to oversee confidential reporting systems regarding workplace misconduct, training programs on workplace behavior and bystander intervention, and other reporting initiatives regarding employee metrics and demographics; (3) the Special Counsel for Equal Employment Opportunity to investigate alleged workplace misconduct and complaints; and (4) the Office of Employee Advocacy to provide legal assistance, representation, and consultation to judicial employees.

Finally, the bill establishes workplace discrimination, harassment, and retaliation as judicial misconduct.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 1, 2022:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.
- **Nov 1, 2022:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, and the Internet.
- **Jul 29, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 29, 2021:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.