

HR 829

Empower our Girls Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

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Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security. (Apr 23, 2021)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Perry, Scott [R-PA-10]

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

Cosponsors (12 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Burchett, Tim [R-TN-2]	R · TN		Feb 4, 2021
Rep. Calvert, Ken [R-CA-42]	R · CA		Feb 4, 2021
Rep. DesJarlais, Scott [R-TN-4]	R · TN		Feb 4, 2021
Rep. Norman, Ralph [R-SC-5]	R · SC		Feb 4, 2021
Rep. Van Drew, Jefferson [R-NJ-2]	R · NJ		Feb 4, 2021
Rep. Walorski, Jackie [R-IN-2]	R · IN		Feb 4, 2021
Rep. Roybal-Allard, Lucille [D-CA-40]	D · CA		Mar 31, 2022
Rep. Delgado, Antonio [D-NY-19]	D · NY		Apr 1, 2022
Rep. McGovern, James P. [D-MA-2]	D · MA		Apr 7, 2022
Rep. Foster, Bill [D-IL-11]	D · IL		Apr 21, 2022
Rep. Kim, Andy [D-NJ-3]	D · NJ		May 10, 2022
Rep. Panetta, Jimmy [D-CA-20]	D · CA		Dec 7, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Financial Services Committee	House	Referred To	Feb 4, 2021
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 23, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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This bill allows certain grants authorized under the Violence Against Women Act to be used to support victims of female genital mutilation. Such grants already support victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, and stalking.

The bill also requires the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) to classify female genital mutilation as a Part II crime (i.e., a less serious offense) in the Uniform Crime Reports. (The FBI compiles and periodically publishes crime statistics through the Uniform Crime Reporting Program. Currently, the FBI does not compile and publish information about female genital mutilation.)

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 23, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- **Feb 4, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 4, 2021:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Financial Services, 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.