

## HR 1627

Sergeant Steve Owen Defending Our Defenders Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Crime and Law Enforcement

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**Current Status:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary. (Mar 17, 2023)

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### Sponsor

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Rep. Malliotakis, Nicole [R-NY-11]	R · NY		Oct 16, 2023
Rep. Moore, Barry [R-AL-2]	R · AL		Nov 6, 2023
Rep. Lee, Laurel M. [R-FL-15]	R · FL		Nov 30, 2023
Rep. Van Drew, Jefferson [R-NJ-2]	R · NJ		Dec 11, 2023

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 17, 2023

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 S 868	Related bill	<b>Mar 16, 2023:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

## Summary (as of Mar 17, 2023)

### Sergeant Steve Owen Defending Our Defenders Act

This bill establishes federal criminal offenses involving the murder of federal, state, or local law enforcement officers. Violators are subject to life in prison or death.

The bill sets forth aggravating factors (e.g., intent to ambush or prior history of promoting violence against a law enforcement officer) to be considered in determining whether to impose the death penalty.

## Actions Timeline

- **Mar 17, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 17, 2023:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.