

SJRES 27

A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs of the Department of Labor relating to "Rescission of Implementing Legal Requirements Regarding the Equal Opportunity Clause's Religious Exemption Rule".

Congress: 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Government Operations and Politics

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Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 11, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 SJRES 36	Identical bill	Jun 22, 2023: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
118 HJRES 61	Related bill	May 11, 2023: Referred to the House Committee on Education and the Workforce.

This joint resolution nullifies the final rule submitted by the Department of Labor titled *Rescission of Implementing Legal Requirements Regarding the Equal Opportunity Clause's Religious Exemption Rule*. This rule, which became effective March 31, 2023, rescinded a rule that became effective January 8, 2021. The rule that became effective in 2021 expanded the religious exemption to the prohibition on federal contractors and subcontractors discriminating in employment decisions based on race, religion, sexual orientation, or other factors.

Actions Timeline

- **May 11, 2023:** Introduced in Senate
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