

HR 357

Ensuring Accountability in Agency Rulemaking Act

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (19 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Golden, Jared F. [D-ME-2]	D · ME		Jan 13, 2023
Rep. Green, Mark E. [R-TN-7]	R · TN		Jan 13, 2023
Rep. Miller, Mary E. [R-IL-15]	R · IL		Jan 13, 2023
Rep. Ogles, Andrew [R-TN-5]	R · TN		Jan 13, 2023
Rep. Perry, Scott [R-PA-10]	R · PA		Jan 13, 2023
Rep. Brecheen, Josh [R-OK-2]	R · OK		Feb 14, 2023
Rep. Cloud, Michael [R-TX-27]	R · TX		Feb 24, 2023
Rep. Crenshaw, Dan [R-TX-2]	R · TX		Feb 24, 2023
Rep. Guest, Michael [R-MS-3]	R · MS		Feb 24, 2023
Rep. Mace, Nancy [R-SC-1]	R · SC		Feb 24, 2023
Rep. Norman, Ralph [R-SC-5]	R · SC		Feb 24, 2023
Rep. Hagedorn, Harriet M. [R-WY-At Large]	R · WY		Mar 14, 2023
Rep. Biggs, Andy [R-AZ-5]	R · AZ		Apr 25, 2023
Rep. Lesko, Debbie [R-AZ-8]	R · AZ		Jun 13, 2023
Rep. Donalds, Byron [R-FL-19]	R · FL		Aug 29, 2023
Rep. Crane, Elijah [R-AZ-2]	R · AZ		Sep 18, 2023
Rep. Fry, Russell [R-SC-7]	R · SC		Oct 2, 2023
Rep. Gooden, Lance [R-TX-5]	R · TX		Nov 3, 2023
Rep. Alford, Mark [R-MO-4]	R · MO		Nov 21, 2023

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Dec 13, 2023
Judiciary Committee	House	Unknown	Dec 12, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 HRES 922	Procedurally related	Dec 12, 2023: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

Summary (as of Dec 12, 2023)

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This bill requires, subject to a limited exception, that any agency rule promulgated under notice and comment procedures must be issued and signed by an individual who was appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate.

The Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs must issue guidance for agencies to implement this requirement.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 13, 2023:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
- **Dec 12, 2023:** Rule H. Res. 922 passed House.
- **Dec 12, 2023:** Considered under the provisions of rule H. Res. 922. (consideration: CR H6836-6840)
- **Dec 12, 2023:** Rule provides for consideration of H.R. 1147 and H.R. 357. The resolution provides for consideration of H.R. 1147 under a structured rule with one hour of general debate and H.R. 357 under a closed rule with one hour of general debate. The resolution provides for a motion to recommit on both measures. It also provides that on any legislative day of the second session of the 118th Congress before January 9, 2024, the Speaker may dispense with organizational and legislative business and that the Journal of the proceedings of the previous day shall be considered as approved if applicable.
- **Dec 12, 2023:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on H.R. 357.
- **Dec 12, 2023:** The previous question was ordered pursuant to the rule.
- **Dec 12, 2023:** Mr. Mrvan moved to recommit to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text: CR H6840)
- **Dec 12, 2023:** The previous question on the motion to recommit was ordered pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XIX.
- **Dec 12, 2023:** POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of debate on H.R. 357, the Chair put the question on the motion to recommit and by voice vote, announced that the noes had prevailed. Mr. Mrvan demanded the yeas and nays and the Chair postponed further proceedings until a time to be announced.
- **Dec 12, 2023:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H6840-6842)
- **Dec 12, 2023:** On motion to recommit Failed by the Yeas and Nays: 206 - 211 (Roll no. 716).
- **Dec 12, 2023:** Passed/agreed to in House: On passage Passed by recorded vote: 218 - 203 (Roll no. 717). (text of amendment in the nature of a substitute: CR H6836-6837)
- **Dec 12, 2023:** On passage Passed by recorded vote: 218 - 203 (Roll no. 717). (text of amendment in the nature of a substitute: CR H6836-6837)
- **Dec 12, 2023:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Dec 11, 2023:** Rules Committee Resolution H. Res. 922 Reported to House. Rule provides for consideration of H.R. 1147 and H.R. 357. The resolution provides for consideration of H.R. 1147 under a structured rule with one hour of general debate and H.R. 357 under a closed rule with one hour of general debate. The resolution provides for a motion to recommit on both measures. It also provides that on any legislative day of the second session of the 118th Congress before January 9, 2024, the Speaker may dispense with organizational and legislative business and that the Journal of the proceedings of the previous day shall be considered as approved if applicable.
- **Nov 29, 2023:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Judiciary. H. Rept. 118-282.
- **Nov 29, 2023:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 226.
- **May 24, 2023:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held
- **May 24, 2023:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 17 - 9.
- **Jan 13, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 13, 2023:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.