

HR 5301

Eliminate Useless Reports Act of 2024

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Government Operations and Politics

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Garcia, Robert [D-CA-42]

Party: Democratic • State: CA • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Grothman, Glenn [R-WI-6]	R · WI		Aug 29, 2023
Rep. Edwards, Chuck [R-NC-11]	R · NC		Jan 31, 2024

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Budget Committee	House	Markup By	Feb 6, 2024
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Discharged From	Dec 12, 2024
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Markup By	Mar 7, 2024

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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This act requires federal agencies to include a list of outdated or duplicative reporting requirements and related information in their annual budget justifications.

Specifically, the agencies must include a list of each recurring plan or report submitted by the agency and specified identifying information for the plans or reports. The agencies must also identify any recurring plans or reports that are outdated or duplicative.

With respect to each recurring plan or report that is outdated or duplicative, the agency must also include

- a recommendation on whether to end, modify, consolidate, or reduce the frequency of the report or plan;
- a citation to each provision of law or directive in a congressional report that requires or requests the submission of the report or plan;
- a list of the relevant congressional committees; and
- a justification that explains why the agency made the recommendation and the agency's understanding of the purpose of the plan or report.

If a recurring plan or report is required to be submitted by at least two federal agencies, the act requires the Office of Management and Budget to (1) determine whether the requirement to submit the recurring plan or report is outdated or duplicative, and (2) make recommendations to Congress accordingly.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 23, 2024:** Signed by President.
- **Dec 23, 2024:** Became Public Law No: 118-172.
- **Dec 17, 2024:** Presented to President.
- **Dec 12, 2024:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Dec 11, 2024:** Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs discharged by Unanimous Consent.
- **Dec 11, 2024:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **Dec 11, 2024:** Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S6976)
- **Nov 13, 2024:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
- **Nov 12, 2024:** Mr. Higgins (LA) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Nov 12, 2024:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H5943-5944)
- **Nov 12, 2024:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 5301.
- **Nov 12, 2024:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H5943-5944)
- **Nov 12, 2024:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H5943-5944)
- **Nov 12, 2024:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Mar 7, 2024:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held
- **Mar 7, 2024:** Ordered to be Reported in the Nature of a Substitute (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 40 - 0.
- **Feb 6, 2024:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held
- **Feb 6, 2024:** Ordered to be Reported by Voice Vote.
- **Aug 29, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Aug 29, 2023:** Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, 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.