

HR 7989

ThinkDIFFERENTLY About Disability Employment Act

Congress: 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Commerce

Introduced: Apr 15, 2024

Current Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneur

Latest Action: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship. (Jun 12, 2024)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Molinaro, Marcus J. [R-NY-19]

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

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Pappas, Chris [D-NH-1]	D · NH		Apr 15, 2024

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Small Business and Entrepreneurship Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 12, 2024
Small Business Committee	House	Reported By	Jun 4, 2024

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Commerce

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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This bill requires the Small Business Administration (SBA) to (1) provide assistance to individuals with disabilities who desire to become entrepreneurs or to be self-employed, (2) help individuals with disabilities find employment at small businesses; and (3) assist small businesses with hiring such individuals and with accessibility issues applicable to such individuals.

The SBA must conduct outreach and education about such activities.

The bill establishes reporting requirements with respect to these activities.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 12, 2024:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.
- **Jun 11, 2024:** Mr. Williams (TX) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Jun 11, 2024:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H3690-3692)
- **Jun 11, 2024:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 7989.
- **Jun 11, 2024:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H3690-3691)
- **Jun 11, 2024:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H3690-3691)
- **Jun 11, 2024:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jun 4, 2024:** Reported by the Committee on Small Business. H. Rept. 118-538.
- **Jun 4, 2024:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 447.
- **Apr 17, 2024:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held
- **Apr 17, 2024:** Ordered to be Reported by the Yeas and Nays: 23 - 0.
- **Apr 15, 2024:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 15, 2024:** Referred to the House Committee on Small Business.