

## HR 15

### Equality Act

**Congress:** 119 (2025–2027, Current)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Civil Rights and Liberties, Minority Issues

**Introduced:** Apr 29, 2025

**Current Status:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Education and Workf

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Education and Workforce, Financial Services, House Administration, and Oversight and Government Reform, 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. (Apr 29, 2025)

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Rep. Moore, Gwen [D-WI-4]	D · WI		Apr 29, 2025
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Rep. Moskowitz, Jared [D-FL-23]	D · FL		Apr 29, 2025
Rep. Moulton, Seth [D-MA-6]	D · MA		Apr 29, 2025
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Rep. Mullin, Kevin [D-CA-15]	D · CA		Apr 29, 2025
Rep. Nadler, Jerry [D-NY-12]	D · NY		Apr 29, 2025
Rep. Neal, Richard E. [D-MA-1]	D · MA		Apr 29, 2025
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Rep. Ocasio-Cortez, Alexandria [D-NY-14]	D · NY		Apr 29, 2025
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Rep. Perez, Marie Gluesenkamp [D-WA-3]	D · WA		Apr 29, 2025
Rep. Peters, Scott H. [D-CA-50]	D · CA		Apr 29, 2025
Rep. Pettersen, Brittany [D-CO-7]	D · CO		Apr 29, 2025
Rep. Pingree, Chellie [D-ME-1]	D · ME		Apr 29, 2025
Rep. Pocan, Mark [D-WI-2]	D · WI		Apr 29, 2025
Rep. Pou, Nellie [D-NJ-9]	D · NJ		Apr 29, 2025
Rep. Pressley, Ayanna [D-MA-7]	D · MA		Apr 29, 2025
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Rep. Ramirez, Delia C. [D-IL-3]	D · IL		Apr 29, 2025
Rep. Randall, Emily [D-WA-6]	D · WA		Apr 29, 2025
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Rep. Rivas, Luz M. [D-CA-29]	D · CA		Apr 29, 2025
Rep. Ross, Deborah K. [D-NC-2]	D · NC		Apr 29, 2025
Rep. Ruiz, Raul [D-CA-25]	D · CA		Apr 29, 2025
Rep. Ryan, Patrick [D-NY-18]	D · NY		Apr 29, 2025
Rep. Salinas, Andrea [D-OR-6]	D · OR		Apr 29, 2025
Rep. Sánchez, Linda T. [D-CA-38]	D · CA		Apr 29, 2025

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Rep. Scott, David [D-GA-13]	D · GA		Apr 29, 2025
Rep. Scott, Robert C. "Bobby" [D-VA-3]	D · VA		Apr 29, 2025
Rep. Sewell, Terri A. [D-AL-7]	D · AL		Apr 29, 2025
Rep. Sherman, Brad [D-CA-32]	D · CA		Apr 29, 2025
Rep. Sherrill, Mikie [D-NJ-11]	D · NJ		Apr 29, 2025
Rep. Simon, Lateefah [D-CA-12]	D · CA		Apr 29, 2025
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Rep. Soto, Darren [D-FL-9]	D · FL		Apr 29, 2025
Rep. Stansbury, Melanie A. [D-NM-1]	D · NM		Apr 29, 2025
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## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Committee on House Administration	House	Referred To	Apr 29, 2025
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Apr 29, 2025
Financial Services Committee	House	Referred To	Apr 29, 2025
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Apr 29, 2025
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Referred To	Apr 29, 2025

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Civil Rights and Liberties, Minority Issues

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
119 S 1503	Related bill	Apr 29, 2025: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

## Summary (as of Apr 29, 2025)

### Equality Act

This bill prohibits discrimination based on sex, sexual orientation, or gender identity with respect to businesses, employment, housing, federally funded programs, and other settings.

Specifically, the bill expands Title II and Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 to prohibit public accommodations and federally funded programs, respectively, from discriminating based on sex, sexual orientation, or gender identity. It also includes stores, transit services, recreational facilities, and establishments that provide health care, accounting, or legal services as public accommodations under Title II.

The bill also expands Title IV (desegregation of public schools) and Title VII (employment discrimination) to specifically include sexual orientation and gender identity. (The Supreme Court held in *Bostock v. Clayton County* that Title VII's prohibition of employment discrimination based on sex also prohibits employment discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender identity.)

The bill similarly expands the Fair Housing Act (discrimination in public and private housing) to include sexual orientation and gender identity. It also prohibits discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender identity by creditors and with respect to jury selection.

The bill defines sex for purposes of the aforementioned provisions to include sex stereotypes, pregnancy, childbirth, sexual orientation, gender identity, and sex characteristics.

## Actions Timeline

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