

HR 2180

Keep the Watchdogs Running Act

Congress: 119 (2025–2027, Current)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Government Operations and Politics

Introduced: Mar 18, 2025

Current Status: ASSUMING FIRST SPONSORSHIP - Mr. Walkinshaw asked unanimous consent that he may hereafter be consider

Latest Action: ASSUMING FIRST SPONSORSHIP - Mr. Walkinshaw asked unanimous consent that he may hereafter be considered as the first sponsor of H.R. 2180, a bill originally introduced by Representative Connolly, for the purpose of adding cosponsors and requesting reprintings pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII. Agreed to without objection. (Nov 20, 2025)

Official Text: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/119th-congress/house-bill/2180>

Sponsor

Name: Rep. Connolly, Gerald E. [D-VA-11]

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

Cosponsors (16 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Mar 21, 2025
Rep. Castro, Joaquin [D-TX-20]	D · TX		Mar 21, 2025
Rep. Davis, Danny K. [D-IL-7]	D · IL		Mar 21, 2025
Rep. Garcia, Robert [D-CA-42]	D · CA		Mar 21, 2025
Rep. Goldman, Daniel S. [D-NY-10]	D · NY		Mar 21, 2025
Rep. Lynch, Stephen F. [D-MA-8]	D · MA		Mar 21, 2025
Rep. Stansbury, Melanie A. [D-NM-1]	D · NM		Mar 21, 2025
Rep. Tlaib, Rashida [D-MI-12]	D · MI		Mar 21, 2025
Rep. Wasserman Schultz, Debbie [D-FL-25]	D · FL		Mar 21, 2025
Rep. Williams, Nikema [D-GA-5]	D · GA		Mar 21, 2025
Rep. McGovern, James P. [D-MA-2]	D · MA		Mar 27, 2025
Rep. Neguse, Joe [D-CO-2]	D · CO		Mar 27, 2025
Rep. Carson, André [D-IN-7]	D · IN		Apr 1, 2025
Rep. Moore, Gwen [D-WI-4]	D · WI		Apr 1, 2025
Rep. Thanedar, Shri [D-MI-13]	D · MI		Apr 1, 2025
Rep. García, Jesús G. "Chuy" [D-IL-4]	D · IL		Apr 7, 2025

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 18, 2025

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Mar 18, 2025)

Keep the Watchdogs Running Act

This bill authorizes a federal office of inspector general (OIG) to continue performing its duties during a lapse in appropriations (i.e., government shutdown).

During a lapse in appropriations, the OIG may obligate funds (1) at the rate of operations and under the authority and conditions provided in the most recently enacted appropriations act, and (2) to perform its duties with respect to any program that continues during the lapse in appropriations.

Mar 18, 2025: Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.