

HR 492

Saving the Civil Service Act

Congress: 119 (2025–2027, Current)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Government Operations and Politics

Introduced: Jan 16, 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. 492, 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. (Sep 16, 2025)

Official Text: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/119th-congress/house-bill/492>

Sponsor

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

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

Cosponsors (96 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Bacon, Don [R-NE-2]	R · NE		Jan 16, 2025
Rep. Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [R-PA-1]	R · PA		Jan 16, 2025
Rep. Mfume, Kweisi [D-MD-7]	D · MD		Jan 16, 2025
Rep. Beyer, Donald S. [D-VA-8]	D · VA		Jan 21, 2025
Rep. Vindman, Eugene [D-VA-7]	D · VA		Jan 21, 2025
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC]	D · DC		Jan 22, 2025
Rep. Elfreth, Sarah [D-MD-3]	D · MD		Jan 22, 2025
Rep. Sorensen, Eric [D-IL-17]	D · IL		Jan 22, 2025
Rep. Brown, Shontel M. [D-OH-11]	D · OH		Jan 28, 2025
Rep. Brownley, Julia [D-CA-26]	D · CA		Jan 28, 2025
Rep. Costa, Jim [D-CA-21]	D · CA		Jan 28, 2025
Rep. DeGette, Diana [D-CO-1]	D · CO		Jan 28, 2025
Rep. McClellan, Jennifer L. [D-VA-4]	D · VA		Jan 28, 2025
Rep. Raskin, Jamie [D-MD-8]	D · MD		Jan 28, 2025
Rep. Scanlon, Mary Gay [D-PA-5]	D · PA		Jan 28, 2025
Rep. Subramanyam, Suhas [D-VA-10]	D · VA		Jan 28, 2025
Rep. Budzinski, Nikki [D-IL-13]	D · IL		Jan 31, 2025
Rep. Case, Ed [D-HI-1]	D · HI		Jan 31, 2025
Rep. Cleaver, Emanuel [D-MO-5]	D · MO		Jan 31, 2025
Rep. DelBene, Suzan K. [D-WA-1]	D · WA		Jan 31, 2025
Rep. Hoyer, Steny H. [D-MD-5]	D · MD		Jan 31, 2025
Rep. Larson, John B. [D-CT-1]	D · CT		Jan 31, 2025
Rep. Lieu, Ted [D-CA-36]	D · CA		Jan 31, 2025
Rep. Lynch, Stephen F. [D-MA-8]	D · MA		Jan 31, 2025
Rep. Ocasio-Cortez, Alexandria [D-NY-14]	D · NY		Jan 31, 2025
Rep. Wasserman Schultz, Debbie [D-FL-25]	D · FL		Jan 31, 2025
Rep. Courtney, Joe [D-CT-2]	D · CT		Feb 5, 2025
Rep. Schakowsky, Janice D. [D-IL-9]	D · IL		Feb 5, 2025
Rep. Bonamici, Suzanne [D-OR-1]	D · OR		Feb 7, 2025
Rep. Carson, André [D-IN-7]	D · IN		Feb 7, 2025
Rep. Goldman, Daniel S. [D-NY-10]	D · NY		Feb 7, 2025
Rep. Ivey, Glenn [D-MD-4]	D · MD		Feb 7, 2025
Rep. Krishnamoorthi, Raja [D-IL-8]	D · IL		Feb 7, 2025
Rep. Leger Fernandez, Teresa [D-NM-3]	D · NM		Feb 7, 2025
Rep. McBath, Lucy [D-GA-6]	D · GA		Feb 7, 2025
Rep. McCollum, Betty [D-MN-4]	D · MN		Feb 7, 2025
Rep. McGovern, James P. [D-MA-2]	D · MA		Feb 7, 2025
Rep. Morelle, Joseph D. [D-NY-25]	D · NY		Feb 7, 2025
Rep. Moulton, Seth [D-MA-6]	D · MA		Feb 7, 2025
Rep. Norcross, Donald [D-NJ-1]	D · NJ		Feb 7, 2025
Rep. Olszewski, Johnny [D-MD-2]	D · MD		Feb 7, 2025

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Rep. Pocan, Mark [D-WI-2]	D · WI		Feb 7, 2025
Rep. Quigley, Mike [D-IL-5]	D · IL		Feb 7, 2025
Rep. Ross, Deborah K. [D-NC-2]	D · NC		Feb 7, 2025
Rep. Tlaib, Rashida [D-MI-12]	D · MI		Feb 7, 2025
Rep. Tonko, Paul [D-NY-20]	D · NY		Feb 7, 2025
Rep. Turner, Sylvester [D-TX-18]	D · TX		Feb 7, 2025
Rep. Williams, Nikema [D-GA-5]	D · GA		Feb 7, 2025
Rep. Boyle, Brendan F. [D-PA-2]	D · PA		Feb 10, 2025
Rep. Davis, Donald G. [D-NC-1]	D · NC		Feb 10, 2025
Rep. Dexter, Maxine [D-OR-3]	D · OR		Feb 10, 2025
Rep. Hoyle, Val T. [D-OR-4]	D · OR		Feb 10, 2025
Rep. Levin, Mike [D-CA-49]	D · CA		Feb 10, 2025
Rep. Mrvan, Frank J. [D-IN-1]	D · IN		Feb 10, 2025
Rep. Waters, Maxine [D-CA-43]	D · CA		Feb 10, 2025
Rep. Adams, Alma S. [D-NC-12]	D · NC		Feb 12, 2025
Rep. McClain Delaney, April [D-MD-6]	D · MD		Feb 12, 2025
Rep. Titus, Dina [D-NV-1]	D · NV		Feb 12, 2025
Rep. Garcia, Robert [D-CA-42]	D · CA		Feb 18, 2025
Rep. Sykes, Emilia Strong [D-OH-13]	D · OH		Feb 18, 2025
Rep. Barragán, Nanette Diaz [D-CA-44]	D · CA		Mar 3, 2025
Rep. Kelly, Robin L. [D-IL-2]	D · IL		Mar 3, 2025
Rep. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ-8]	D · NJ		Mar 3, 2025
Rep. Salinas, Andrea [D-OR-6]	D · OR		Mar 3, 2025
Rep. Sewell, Terri A. [D-AL-7]	D · AL		Mar 3, 2025
Rep. Thanedar, Shri [D-MI-13]	D · MI		Mar 3, 2025
Rep. Goodlander, Maggie [D-NH-2]	D · NH		Mar 14, 2025
Rep. Magaziner, Seth [D-RI-2]	D · RI		Mar 14, 2025
Rep. Ansari, Yassamin [D-AZ-3]	D · AZ		Mar 21, 2025
Rep. Figures, Shomari [D-AL-2]	D · AL		Mar 21, 2025
Rep. Friedman, Laura [D-CA-30]	D · CA		Mar 21, 2025
Rep. Keating, William R. [D-MA-9]	D · MA		Mar 21, 2025
Rep. Stansbury, Melanie A. [D-NM-1]	D · NM		Mar 21, 2025
Rep. Craig, Angie [D-MN-2]	D · MN		Apr 29, 2025
Rep. Omar, Ilhan [D-MN-5]	D · MN		Apr 29, 2025
Rep. Evans, Dwight [D-PA-3]	D · PA		Sep 26, 2025
Rep. Larsen, Rick [D-WA-2]	D · WA		Sep 26, 2025
Rep. Mannion, John W. [D-NY-22]	D · NY		Sep 26, 2025
Rep. Bell, Wesley [D-MO-1]	D · MO		Oct 17, 2025
Rep. Bynum, Janelle S. [D-OR-5]	D · OR		Oct 17, 2025
Rep. Lawler, Michael [R-NY-17]	R · NY		Oct 17, 2025
Rep. McBride, Sarah [D-DE-At Large]	D · DE		Oct 17, 2025
Rep. Randall, Emily [D-WA-6]	D · WA		Oct 17, 2025

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Rep. Carbajal, Salud O. [D-CA-24]	D · CA		Oct 31, 2025
Rep. Garamendi, John [D-CA-8]	D · CA		Oct 31, 2025
Rep. Pallone, Frank [D-NJ-6]	D · NJ		Oct 31, 2025
Rep. Thompson, Mike [D-CA-4]	D · CA		Oct 31, 2025
Rep. Doggett, Lloyd [D-TX-37]	D · TX		Nov 4, 2025
Rep. Mullin, Kevin [D-CA-15]	D · CA		Nov 10, 2025
Rep. Chu, Judy [D-CA-28]	D · CA		Dec 9, 2025
Rep. Stevens, Haley M. [D-MI-11]	D · MI		Dec 17, 2025
Rep. Casten, Sean [D-IL-6]	D · IL		Jan 7, 2026
Rep. Balint, Becca [D-VT-At Large]	D · VT		Feb 3, 2026
Rep. Green, Al [D-TX-9]	D · TX		Feb 11, 2026
Rep. Pingree, Chellie [D-ME-1]	D · ME		Feb 11, 2026
Rep. Fletcher, Lizzie [D-TX-7]	D · TX		Feb 25, 2026

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Referred To	Jan 16, 2025

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Saving the Civil Service Act

This bill generally prohibits changes to the classification of positions in the competitive service and excepted service unless certain conditions are met. (Competitive service positions are subject to competitive examination while excepted service positions are appointed under one of five schedules. Competitive service positions have notice and appeal requirements for adverse actions that are not applicable to most excepted positions, including those of a confidential, policy-determining, policy-making, or policy-advocating character under Schedule C.)

On October 21, 2020, President Donald Trump issued an executive order that placed executive agency positions that are of a confidential, policy-determining, policy-making, or policy-advocating character, and that are not normally subject to change as a result of a presidential transition, under a new Schedule F in the excepted service. The order was subsequently revoked by President Joe Biden.

The bill prohibits executive agency positions in the competitive service from being placed in the excepted service, unless such positions are placed in a schedule in the excepted service as in effect on September 30, 2020. The bill also prohibits positions in the excepted service from being placed in any schedule other than the aforementioned schedules.

Additionally, agencies may not (1) transfer occupied positions from the competitive or excepted service into Schedule C without the consent of the Office of Personnel Management, or (2) transfer employees in the excepted service to another schedule or transfer employees in the competitive service to the excepted service without employee consent.

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