

HR 787

Plain Language in Contracting Act

Congress: 119 (2025–2027, Current)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Commerce

Introduced: Jan 28, 2025

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

Latest Action: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship. (Jun 4, 2025)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. LaLota, Nick [R-NY-1]

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

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Thanedar, Shri [D-MI-13]	D · MI		Jan 28, 2025
Rep. Tran, Derek [D-CA-45]	D · CA		Jan 28, 2025
Rep. Goodlander, Maggie [D-NH-2]	D · NH		Mar 4, 2025

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Small Business and Entrepreneurship Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 4, 2025
Small Business Committee	House	Reported By	Mar 24, 2025

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Commerce

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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This bill requires that notices of contracting opportunities for small businesses are written in a clear, concise, and accessible manner.

Each notice also must comply with the requirements of the Plain Writing Act of 2010, which are applicable to publications and notices by federal agencies.

The Small Business Administration must issue rules to implement these requirements.

Actions Timeline

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