



## Mr. Filemon Vela

**Party:** Democratic • **Chamber:** House

**State:** TX • **District:** 34

**Service:** 2013–2022

**Most recent Congress:** 117

### Biography

A Representative from Texas. Born in Harlingen, Cameron County, Tex. , February 13, 1963. Graduated from St. Joseph's Academy, Brownsville, Tex. , 1981. B. A. , Georgetown University, Washington, D. C. , 1985. J. D. , University of Texas, Austin, Tex. , 1987. Civil attorney. Elected as a Democrat to the One Hundred Thirteenth and to the four succeeding Congresses until his resignation on March 31, 2022 (January 3, 2013-March 31, 2022). Professional advocate.

### Legislative Activity (2013–2022)

**Bills sponsored:** 54

**Bills cosponsored:** 1266

### Most Recent Sponsored Bills

Bill	Title	Status / Last Action
117 HR 268	To provide for the boundary of the Palo Alto Battlefield National Historic Park to be adjusted, to authorize the donation of land to the United States for addition to that historic park, and for other purposes.	Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on National Parks. Hearings held. Updated May 11, 2022
117 HR 7052	To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1535 East Los Ebanos Boulevard in Brownsville, Texas, as the "1st Lieutenant Andres Zermeno Post Office Building".	Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Reform. Updated Mar 9, 2022
117 HR 6324	Saving America's Future by Educating Kids Act of 2021	Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor. Updated Dec 16, 2021
117 HR 5907	Water Infrastructure for Rural and Impoverished Communities Act	Referred to the Subcommittee on Commodity Exchanges, Energy, and Credit. Updated Nov 30, 2021
117 HR 6053	Protect Minority Student Borrowers Act	Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services. Updated Nov 18, 2021

## Most Recent Cosponsored Bills

Bill	Title	Status / Last Action
117 HR 5865	To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4110 Bluebonnet Drive in Stafford, Texas, as the "Leonard Scarcella Post Office Building".	Became Public Law No: 117-282. Updated Dec 27, 2022
117 HR 203	To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4020 Broadway Street in Houston, Texas, as the "Benny C. Martinez Post Office Building".	Became Public Law No: 117-265. Updated Dec 27, 2022
117 HR 1193	Cardiovascular Advances in Research and Opportunities Legacy Act	Became Public Law No: 117-244. Updated Dec 20, 2022
117 HR 604	Rebuild America's Schools Act of 2022	Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 467. Updated Dec 16, 2022
117 HR 3648	EAGLE Act of 2022	POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - Pursuant to clause 1(c) of rule XIX, further proceedings on H.R. 3648 were p Updated Dec 14, 2022