

115TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 1561

To prohibit any hiring freeze from affecting the National Institutes of Health  
and the Centers for Disease Control.

---

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 16, 2017

Ms. VELÁZQUEZ (for herself, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. RASKIN, Mr. SOTO, Ms. MCCOLLUM, and Mr. COHEN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

---

## A BILL

To prohibit any hiring freeze from affecting the National  
Institutes of Health and the Centers for Disease Control.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. PROHIBITION ON HIRING FREEZE FROM AF-**  
4 **FFECTING NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH**  
5 **AND CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL.**

6 The memorandum titled “Presidential Memorandum  
7 Regarding the Hiring Freeze” published on January 23,  
8 2017, or any other substantially similar memorandum, ex-  
9 ecutive order, or other action by the President to prevent  
10 a department or agency of the Federal Government from

1 filling vacant Federal civilian employee positions or cre-  
2 ating new such positions, shall have no force or effect with  
3 respect to positions within—

4 (1) the National Institutes of Health; and

5 (2) the Centers for Disease Control.

○