



Labor and Employee Benefits Congressional Review Act Resolutions Signed Into Law

Resolution	Description	U.S. Chamber Activity
<p>H.J. Res. 37</p> <p>Joint Resolution disapproving implementing regulation for Fair Pay and Safe Workplaces EO (aka blacklisting rule)</p> <p>Passed House, February 2 (236-187) Passed Senate, March 6 (49-48)</p> <p>Signed into law, March 27, 2017</p>	<p>Would have forced federal contractors to disclose mere allegations of federal labor violations, potentially blocking them from federal contracts without giving them a chance to challenge the charges.</p> <p>Unions would have used this information in corporate campaigns to organize and leverage in collective bargaining.</p>	<p>As the No. 1 labor priority, led employer community's opposition by—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Filing extensive comments detailing the constitutional, statutory, logistical, and economic flaws and setting up arguments for later litigation.• Meeting with various administrative officials, including then-Secretary of Labor Tom Perez, to voice objections.• Working with congressional offices to promote legislative remedies such as appropriations riders and amendments to the Department of Defense Authorization Act.• Activating grassroots network and generating over 1,400 contacts.• Rescinding the blacklisting rule, saving affected businesses nearly \$1 billion in initial compliance costs and annual costs of nearly \$900 million in each subsequent year.
<p>H.J. Res. 83</p> <p>Joint Resolution disapproving OSHA's regulation relating to Clarification of Employer's Continuing Obligation to Make and Maintain an Accurate Record of Each Recordable Injury and Illness (aka Volks rule)</p> <p>Passed House, March 1 (231-191) Passed Senate, March 22 (50-48)</p> <p>Signed into law, April 3, 2017</p>	<p>Would have expanded OSHA's statute of limitations for issuing citations for record-keeping violations from 6 months to 5 years, contrary to the statutory provisions. This would not have improved workplace safety.</p>	<p>Worked to fight this regulation by—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Submitting thoroughly written comments objecting to the Volks rule.• Working with House Education and Workforce Committee to initiate the CRA process.• Leading the Coalition on Workplace Safety's efforts to generate support from employers to convince House and Senate leadership to move the CRA resolution.• Sending Key Vote letters.• Harnessing grassroots network and generating over 7,500 contacts.



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<p>H.J. Res. 66</p> <p>Joint Resolution disapproving state-sponsored retirement plans</p> <p>Passed House, February 15 (231-193) Passed Senate, May 3 (50-49)</p> <p>Signed into law, May 17, 2017</p>	<p>Regulations would have allowed states and/or cities to mandate private employer participation in state-sponsored or city-sponsored automatic IRA programs.</p>	<p>Worked with the House and Senate to ensure passage of both pieces of legislation by—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implementing a grassroots campaign where 2,900 advocates sent over 9,500 letters to Congress. • Releasing both print and radio advertisements. • Sending Key Vote letters and a joint letter signed by over 75 trade associations objecting to these regulations.
<p>H.J. Res. 67</p> <p>Joint Resolution disapproving city-sponsored retirement plans</p> <p>Passed House, February 15 (234-191) Passed Senate, March 30 (50-49)</p> <p>Signed into law, April 13, 2017</p>	<p>Regulations would have provided that states and/or cities offering these programs not be subject to ERISA, despite considerable opinions to the contrary.</p> <p>Regulations would have encouraged a patchwork regulatory scheme that would have created untenable burdens for employers operating in multiple states and/or cities.</p>	