

Protect Our Nonprofits from Federal Executive Overreach



Tell your Representative to Withhold Support on H.R. 9495

Like many bill titles in Congress, this one does not convey the full effect of the proposed legislation. Diverse civil society actors have expressed deep concerns about H.R. 9495's potential to grant the executive branch extraordinary powers. H.R. 9495 could allow the federal executive to investigate, harass, and, in effect, shutter any nonprofit organization based on unilateral accusations of wrongdoing. It provides a poorly checked opportunity to strip them of their tax-exempt status and thus dismantle a civil society entity. This includes news outlets, universities, and civil liberties organizations. Despite the name, H.R. 9495 would also allow the targeting of organizations, even ones like UUSJ, that focus on domestic issues and perhaps even churches and congregations.



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