

HJRES 116

Consumer Technology Bill of Rights

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Commerce

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Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property. (Nov 12, 2002)

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Oct 28, 2002
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Nov 12, 2002

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Commerce

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Oct 7, 2002)

Consumer Technology Bill of Rights - Expresses the sense of Congress that, with respect to all electronic media in U.S. commerce, consumers who legally acquire copyrighted and non-copyrighted works should be free to use these works in non-commercial ways. Lists the following rights of consumers in legally acquired copyrighted and non-copyrighted works: (1) the right to record legally acquired video or audio for later viewing or listening (popularly referred to as "time-shifting"); (2) the right to use legally acquired content in different places (popularly referred to as "space-shifting"); (3) the right to archive or make backup copies of legally acquired content for use in the event that the original copies are destroyed; (4) the right to use legally acquired content on the electronic platform or device of the consumer's choice; (5) the right to translate legally acquired content into comparable formats; and (6) the right to use technology in order to achieve such enumerated rights.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 12, 2002:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property.
- **Oct 28, 2002:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Chairman.
- **Oct 7, 2002:** Introduced in House
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