

HR 5215

Confidential Information Protection and Statistical Efficiency Act of 2002

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Chamber: House

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Reported by	Sep 17, 2002

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Confidential Information Protection and Statistical Efficiency Act of 2002 - Requires: (1) the Director of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to coordinate and oversee the confidentiality and disclosure policies established by this Act; and (2) any rules proposed by an executive agency pursuant to this Act to be subject to the Director's review and approval.

Requires each Designated Statistical Agency or DSA (defined in title II) to report annually to the Director and the appropriate congressional committees.

Establishes the interrelationship of these requirements with the authority of the Bureau of the Census, specified energy laws, and the Congress.

**Title I: Confidential Information Protection** - (Sec. 102) Requires data or information acquired by an agency under a pledge of confidentiality and for exclusively statistical purposes to be used by the agency's officers, employees, or agents only for such purposes. Prohibits such information from being disclosed in identifiable form, for any use other than such a purpose, without the informed consent of the respondent.

Requires a statistical agency or unit to clearly distinguish any data or information it collects for nonstatistical purposes by a rule that provides that the respondent is fully informed that the information to be collected could be used for such purposes.

(Sec. 103) Sets forth penalties for violations.

**Title II: Statistical Efficiency** - (Sec. 203) Requires Designated Statistical Agencies (the Bureau of the Census and the Bureau of Economic Analysis in the Department of Commerce and the Bureau of Labor Statistics in the Department of Labor) to: (1) identify opportunities to eliminate duplication and reduce the reporting burden and cost imposed on the public in providing statistical information; (2) enter into joint statistical projects to improve quality and reduce the cost of statistical programs; and (3) protect the confidentiality of individually identifiable information acquired for statistical purposes by adhering to safeguard principles.

(Sec. 204) Allows a DSA to provide business data in an identifiable form to another DSA under the terms of a written agreement. States that the provision of such data does not alter responsibilities under the Freedom of Information Act or the Privacy Act of 1974.

(Sec. 205) Restricts the use of business data provided by a DSA to statistical purposes. Requires publication of data to not identify any particular respondent.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Nov 13, 2002:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Government Reform. H. Rept. 107-778.
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- **Nov 13, 2002:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 486.
- **Oct 9, 2002:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Oct 9, 2002:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Sep 17, 2002:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Sep 17, 2002:** Subcommittee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Sep 17, 2002:** Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Aug 15, 2002:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Government Efficiency, Financial Management and Intergovernmental Relations.
- **Jul 25, 2002:** Introduced in House
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- **Jul 25, 2002:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E1397)
- **Jul 25, 2002:** Referred to the House Committee on Government Reform.