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HR 426

TV Consumer Choice Act of 2003 Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Science, Technology, Communications

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Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet. (Feb 3, 2003)

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 3, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Science, Technology, Communications

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jan 28, 2003)

TV Consumer Choice Act of 2003 - Prohibits specified provisions of the Communications Act of 1934 from being construed to authorize the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to require, or prescribe any schedule for the implementation of, digital television reception capability in television broadcast reception equipment.

States that the requirements and schedule established by FCC regulation for the implementation of such capability in such equipment shall not be effective except as expressly hereafter provided by Act of Congress.

Actions Timeline

- Feb 3, 2003: Referred to the Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet.
- Jan 28, 2003: Introduced in House
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- Jan 28, 2003: Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.