

## HR 4715

Spectrum Accountability Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Science, Technology, Communications

**Introduced:** Jun 25, 2004

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

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet. (Jul 7, 2004)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Nussle, Jim [R-IA-1]

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

### Cosponsors (4 total)

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| Rep. Brown-Waite, Ginny [R-FL-5]   | R · FL        |      | Jul 14, 2004 |
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| Rep. Garrett, Scott [R-NJ-5]       | R · NJ        |      | Jul 22, 2004 |
| Rep. Wilson, Joe [R-SC-2]          | R · SC        |      | Sep 21, 2004 |

### Committee Activity

| Committee                     | Chamber | Activity    | Date        |
|-------------------------------|---------|-------------|-------------|
| Energy and Commerce Committee | House   | Referred to | Jul 7, 2004 |

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Science, Technology, Communications

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of Jun 25, 2004)

Spectrum Accountability Act - Amends the Communications Act of 1934 to clarify that the Federal Communications Commission is obligated to use the competitive bidding process for mutually exclusive license applications (subject to existing exceptions) and to accept such applications if granting a license would result in the licensee: (1) being authorized to use a materially greater quantity or value of spectrum; or (2) effectively exchanging a previously held license for one that materially alters rights or obligations under the prior license or permits the licensee to provide additional services.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Jul 7, 2004:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet.
- **Jun 25, 2004:** Introduced in House
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- **Jun 25, 2004:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E1287)
- **Jun 25, 2004:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.