

HR 4777

Internet Gambling Prohibition Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Goodlatte, Bob [R-VA-6]

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

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Rep. Alexander, Rodney [R-LA-5]	R · LA		Feb 16, 2006
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Rep. Boucher, Rick [D-VA-9]	D · VA		Feb 16, 2006
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Rep. Brady, Kevin [R-TX-8]	R · TX		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Burgess, Michael C. [R-TX-26]	R · TX		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Burton, Dan [R-IN-5]	R · IN		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Buyer, Steve [R-IN-4]	R · IN		Feb 16, 2006
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Rep. Coble, Howard [R-NC-6]	R · NC		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Conaway, K. Michael [R-TX-11]	R · TX		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Crenshaw, Ander [R-FL-4]	R · FL		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Culberson, John Abney [R-TX-7]	R · TX		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Davis, Jo Ann [R-VA-1]	R · VA		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Davis, Tom [R-VA-11]	R · VA		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Deal, Nathan [R-GA-10]	R · GA		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. DeFazio, Peter A. [D-OR-4]	D · OR		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. DeLay, Tom [R-TX-22]	R · TX		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Diaz-Balart, Lincoln [R-FL-21]	R · FL		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Drake, Thelma D. [R-VA-2]	R · VA		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Duncan, John J., Jr. [R-TN-2]	R · TN		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Ehlers, Vernon J. [R-MI-3]	R · MI		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Emerson, Jo Ann [R-MO-8]	R · MO		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Everett, Terry [R-AL-2]	R · AL		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Forbes, J. Randy [R-VA-4]	R · VA		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Fortenberry, Jeff [R-NE-1]	R · NE		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Foxx, Virginia [R-NC-5]	R · NC		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Franks, Trent [R-AZ-2]	R · AZ		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Frelinghuysen, Rodney P. [R-NJ-11]	R · NJ		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Gallegly, Elton [R-CA-24]	R · CA		Feb 16, 2006

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Rep. Gilchrest, Wayne T. [R-MD-1]	R · MD		Feb 16, 2006
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Rep. Gingrey, Phil [R-GA-11]	R · GA		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Gohmert, Louie [R-TX-1]	R · TX		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Goode, Virgil H., Jr. [R-VA-5]	R · VA		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Gutknecht, Gil [R-MN-1]	R · MN		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Hart, Melissa A. [R-PA-4]	R · PA		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Hayes, Robin [R-NC-8]	R · NC		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Hefley, Joel [R-CO-5]	R · CO		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Herger, Wally [R-CA-2]	R · CA		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Hobson, David L. [R-OH-7]	R · OH		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Hoekstra, Peter [R-MI-2]	R · MI		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Hostettler, John N. [R-IN-8]	R · IN		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Inglis, Bob [R-SC-4]	R · SC		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Istook, Ernest J., Jr. [R-OK-5]	R · OK		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Jenkins, William L. [R-TN-1]	R · TN		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Jindal, Bobby [R-LA-1]	R · LA		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Johnson, Nancy L. [R-CT-5]	R · CT		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Jones, Walter B., Jr. [R-NC-3]	R · NC		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Keller, Ric [R-FL-8]	R · FL		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Kelly, Sue W. [R-NY-19]	R · NY		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Kennedy, Mark R. [R-MN-6]	R · MN		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. King, Steve [R-IA-5]	R · IA		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Kingston, Jack [R-GA-1]	R · GA		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Kuhl, John R. "Randy", Jr. [R-NY-29]	R · NY		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. LaHood, Ray [R-IL-18]	R · IL		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Lewis, Jerry [R-CA-41]	R · CA		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Linder, John [R-GA-7]	R · GA		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Lucas, Frank D. [R-OK-3]	R · OK		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Lungren, Daniel E. [R-CA-3]	R · CA		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. McCrery, Jim [R-LA-4]	R · LA		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. McIntyre, Mike [D-NC-7]	D · NC		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. McKeon, Howard P. "Buck" [R-CA-25]	R · CA		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Miller, Jeff [R-FL-1]	R · FL		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Moran, James P. [D-VA-8]	D · VA		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Moran, Jerry [R-KS-1]	R · KS		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Musgrave, Marilyn N. [R-CO-4]	R · CO		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Myrick, Sue Wilkins [R-NC-9]	R · NC		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Neugebauer, Randy [R-TX-19]	R · TX		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Norwood, Charles W. [R-GA-9]	R · GA		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Nussle, Jim [R-IA-1]	R · IA		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Osborne, Tom [R-NE-3]	R · NE		Feb 16, 2006

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Rep. Pence, Mike [R-IN-6]	R · IN		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Peterson, Collin C. [D-MN-7]	D · MN		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Pitts, Joseph R. [R-PA-16]	R · PA		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Poe, Ted [R-TX-2]	R · TX		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Putnam, Adam H. [R-FL-12]	R · FL		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Ramstad, Jim [R-MN-3]	R · MN		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Regula, Ralph [R-OH-16]	R · OH		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Rehberg, Dennis R. [R-MT-At Large]	R · MT		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Reynolds, Thomas M. [R-NY-26]	R · NY		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Rogers, Mike D. [R-AL-3]	R · AL		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Rogers, Mike J. [R-MI-8]	R · MI		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Schwarz, John J.H. "Joe" [R-MI-7]	R · MI		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Shadegg, John B. [R-AZ-3]	R · AZ		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Shimkus, John [R-IL-19]	R · IL		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Shuster, Bill [R-PA-9]	R · PA		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Simmons, Rob [R-CT-2]	R · CT		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Smith, Lamar [R-TX-21]	R · TX		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Sodrel, Michael E. [R-IN-9]	R · IN		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Souder, Mark E. [R-IN-3]	R · IN		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Sullivan, John [R-OK-1]	R · OK		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Terry, Lee [R-NE-2]	R · NE		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Thomas, William M. [R-CA-22]	R · CA		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Tiahrt, Todd [R-KS-4]	R · KS		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Walden, Greg [R-OR-2]	R · OR		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Walsh, James T. [R-NY-25]	R · NY		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Weldon, Dave [R-FL-15]	R · FL		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Westmoreland, Lynn A. [R-GA-8]	R · GA		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS-1]	R · MS		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Wilson, Heather [R-NM-1]	R · NM		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Wilson, Joe [R-SC-2]	R · SC		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Wolf, Frank R. [R-VA-10]	R · VA		Feb 16, 2006
Resident Commissioner Fortuno, Luis G. [R-PR-At Large]	R · PR		Feb 16, 2006
Rep. Blunt, Roy [R-MO-7]	R · MO		Mar 1, 2006
Rep. Green, Gene [D-TX-29]	D · TX		Mar 1, 2006
Rep. Hunter, Duncan [R-CA-52]	R · CA		Mar 1, 2006
Rep. Camp, Dave [R-MI-4]	R · MI		Mar 14, 2006
Rep. Cardoza, Dennis A. [D-CA-18]	D · CA		Mar 14, 2006
Rep. Chandler, Ben [D-KY-6]	D · KY		Mar 14, 2006
Rep. Davis, Lincoln [D-TN-4]	D · TN		Mar 14, 2006
Rep. Edwards, Chet [D-TX-17]	D · TX		Mar 14, 2006
Rep. Etheridge, Bob [D-NC-2]	D · NC		Mar 14, 2006
Rep. Marchant, Kenny [R-TX-24]	R · TX		Mar 14, 2006

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Rep. McCaul, Michael T. [R-TX-10]	R · TX		Mar 14, 2006
Rep. Peterson, John E. [R-PA-5]	R · PA		Mar 14, 2006
Rep. Price, David E. [D-NC-4]	D · NC		Mar 14, 2006
Rep. Sessions, Pete [R-TX-32]	R · TX		Mar 14, 2006
Rep. Feeney, Tom [R-FL-24]	R · FL		Mar 15, 2006
Rep. Kirk, Mark Steven [R-IL-10]	R · IL		Apr 6, 2006
Rep. Berry, Marion [D-AR-1]	D · AR		May 10, 2006
Rep. Brown, Henry E., Jr. [R-SC-1]	R · SC		May 10, 2006
Rep. Cramer, Robert E. (Bud), Jr. [D-AL-5]	D · AL		May 10, 2006
Rep. Cubin, Barbara [R-WY-At Large]	R · WY		May 10, 2006
Rep. Foley, Mark [R-FL-16]	R · FL		May 10, 2006
Rep. Granger, Kay [R-TX-12]	R · TX		May 10, 2006
Rep. Hall, Ralph M. [R-TX-4]	R · TX		May 10, 2006
Rep. Hulshof, Kenny C. [R-MO-9]	R · MO		May 10, 2006
Rep. Lewis, Ron [R-KY-2]	R · KY		May 10, 2006
Rep. Scott, David [D-GA-13]	D · GA		May 10, 2006
Rep. Taylor, Charles H. [R-NC-11]	R · NC		May 10, 2006
Rep. Thornberry, Mac [R-TX-13]	R · TX		May 10, 2006
Rep. Upton, Fred [R-MI-6]	R · MI		May 10, 2006
Rep. Hayworth, J. D. [R-AZ-5]	R · AZ		Jun 12, 2006
Rep. McMorris, Cathy [R-WA-5]	R · WA		Jun 19, 2006

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Discharged From	Sep 22, 2006
Judiciary Committee	House	Reported by	May 3, 2006

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 4411	Related bill	Jul 13, 2006: Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 519.

Internet Gambling Prohibition Act - (Sec. 2) Amends the federal criminal code to expand the definition of "wire communication facility" (renamed "communication facility") to include fixed or mobile (i.e., wireless) communication facilities.

Defines "bets or wagers" to include bets for contests, sporting events, games predominantly subject to chance, and lotteries. Excludes from such definition: (1) activities governed by securities laws; (2) transactions under the Commodity Exchange Act; (3) over-the-counter derivative instruments; (4) contracts of indemnity or guarantee; (5) contracts for life, health, or accident insurance; and (6) reward programs or contests conducted by businesses.

(Sec. 3) Modifies existing prohibitions against interstate gambling to prohibit the use of a communication facility to transmit: (1) bets or wagers; (2) information assisting in the placing of bets or wagers; or (3) a communication that entitles the recipient to receive money or credit as a result of bets or wagers or for information assisting in the placing of bets or wagers.

Prohibits any individual from accepting, in connection with the placing of bets or wagers to or from the United States: (1) credit, or the proceeds of credit; (2) electronic funds transfers; (3) checks, drafts, or similar instruments; or (4) the proceeds of any other form of financial transaction as prescribed by Treasury regulations.

Imposes a fine and/or prison term of up to five years for violations.

Requires any common carrier that receives a notice of a violation of this Act by one of its communication facilities to discontinue or refuse service to such facility. Grants such common carrier immunity from liability for discontinuing or refusing such service.

(Sec. 4) Authorizes appropriations to the Department of Justice in FY2007-FY2010 for investigations and prosecutions of unlawful Internet gambling.

(Sec. 5) Declares that nothing in this Act may be construed to prohibit any activity allowed under the Interstate Horseracing Act or to preempt any state law prohibiting gambling.

(Sec. 6) Expresses the sense of Congress that this Act does not address the legality of certain horse racing activities under federal law.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 22, 2006:** Committee on Energy and Commerce discharged.
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- **Sep 22, 2006:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 405.
- **Sep 15, 2006:** House Committee on Energy and Commerce Granted an extension for further consideration ending not later than Sept. 22, 2006.
- **Jul 10, 2006:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on 109-552, Part I.
- **Jul 10, 2006:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on 109-552, Part I.
- **Jul 10, 2006:** Referred sequentially to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce for a period ending not later than Sept. 15, 2006 for consideration of such provisions of the bill and amendment as fall within the jurisdiction of that committee pursuant to clause 1(f), rule X.
- **May 25, 2006:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **May 25, 2006:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 25 - 11.
- **May 3, 2006:** Subcommittee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **May 3, 2006:** Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee by Voice Vote .
- **Apr 5, 2006:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Mar 31, 2006:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- **Feb 17, 2006:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E191-192)
- **Feb 16, 2006:** Introduced in House
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- **Feb 16, 2006:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.