

HR 2821

Television Freedom Act of 2007

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Policy Area: Science, Technology, Communications

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 21, 2007
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Jun 21, 2007

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Science, Technology, Communications

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jun 21, 2007)

Television Freedom Act of 2007 - Requires statutory licensing for a satellite carrier's secondary transmission into a television broadcast station's adjacent market if the satellite carrier also makes secondary transmissions into that adjacent market of the adjacent market's television broadcast stations. Defines "adjacent market," for both commercial and noncommercial television broadcast stations, as a market area adjacent to, and at least partially in the same state as, the designated market area in which the station is located.

Amends the Communications Act of 1934 to allow such secondary transmissions.

Requires the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to revise related regulations concerning network nonduplication protection, syndicated exclusivity protection, and sports blackout protection to permit such retransmission.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 21, 2007:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 21, 2007:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
- **Jun 21, 2007:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet.

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