

HR 7084

Webcaster Settlement Act of 2008

Congress: 110 (2007–2009, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Commerce

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Law: 110-435 (Enacted Oct 16, 2008)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Inslee, Jay [D-WA-1]

Party: Democratic • State: WA • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Berman, Howard L. [D-CA-28]	D · CA		Sep 25, 2008
Rep. Conyers, John, Jr. [D-MI-14]	D · MI		Sep 25, 2008
Rep. Manzullo, Donald A. [R-IL-16]	R · IL		Sep 25, 2008
Rep. Smith, Lamar [R-TX-21]	R · TX		Sep 25, 2008

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 25, 2008

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Commerce

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 S 3649	Related bill	Sep 29, 2008: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**(This measure has not been amended since it was passed by the House on September 27, 2008. The summary of that version is repeated here.)**

Webcaster Settlement Act of 2008 - Allows a receiving agent (designated by the Librarian of Congress to collect royalties that ultimately are disbursed to sound recording copyright owners and performers) to enter into agreements with webcasters that establish royalty terms for the performance of sound recordings over the Internet. Provides that such agreements, which may be effective for a period of up to 11 years following January 1, 2005, are to be binding on all copyright owners of sound recordings and other persons entitled to payment, in lieu of any determination of compulsory license rates by the Copyright Royalty Judges.

Terminates the authority to negotiate settlement agreements under this Act on February 15, 2009.

Declares that nothing in this Act (or any agreement entered into under this Act) shall be taken into account by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit in its review of the May 1, 2007 determination of royalty rates by the Copyright Royalty Judges.

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### Actions Timeline

- **Oct 16, 2008:** Signed by President.
- **Oct 16, 2008:** Became Public Law No: 110-435.
- **Oct 7, 2008:** Presented to President.
- **Oct 1, 2008:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Sep 30, 2008:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S10186)
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- **Sep 30, 2008:** Cleared for White House.
- **Sep 29, 2008:** Received in the Senate, read twice.
- **Sep 27, 2008:** Mr. Berman moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Sep 27, 2008:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H10278-10281)
- **Sep 27, 2008:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 7084.
- **Sep 27, 2008:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H10278-10279)
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- **Sep 27, 2008:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Sep 25, 2008:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 25, 2008:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.