

HR 740

PHONE Act of 2007

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Scott, Robert C. "Bobby" [D-VA-3]

Party: Democratic • State: VA • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (9 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Conyers, John, Jr. [D-MI-14]	D · MI		Jan 31, 2007
Rep. Forbes, J. Randy [R-VA-4]	R · VA		Jan 31, 2007
Rep. Murphy, Tim [R-PA-18]	R · PA		Jan 31, 2007
Rep. Reichert, David G. [R-WA-8]	R · WA		Jan 31, 2007
Rep. Schmidt, Jean [R-OH-2]	R · OH		Jan 31, 2007
Rep. Boucher, Rick [D-VA-9]	D · VA		Feb 8, 2007
Rep. Gutierrez, Luis V. [D-IL-4]	D · IL		Feb 8, 2007
Rep. Jackson-Lee, Sheila [D-TX-18]	D · TX		Feb 8, 2007
Rep. Sherman, Brad [D-CA-27]	D · CA		Feb 8, 2007

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Reported by	Feb 6, 2007
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Reported By	May 24, 2007

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 S 1654	Related bill	<b>Jun 19, 2007:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR S7895)

Preventing Harassment through Outbound Number Enforcement Act of 2007 or the PHONE Act of 2007- Amends the federal criminal code to prohibit: (1) using or providing false caller ID information with the intent to wrongfully obtain anything of value (imposes a fine and/or prison term of up to five years) or using or providing such information without authorization and with intent to deceive any person or other entity about the identity of the caller (imposes a fine and/or prison term of up to one year); or (2) attempting or conspiring to do so.

Exempts from the prohibitions of this Act: (1) lawfully authorized investigative, protective, or intelligence activities of a federal, state, or local law enforcement agency or U.S. intelligence agency; or (2) activities relating to witness protection.

Provides for forfeiture of property traceable to a violation of this Act or of equipment, software, or other technology used to commit a violation of this Act.

Includes fraud and related activity in connection with electronic mail and caller ID spoofing as predicate activities for money laundering.

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### **Actions Timeline**

- **May 24, 2007:** Committee on the Judiciary. Reported by Senator Leahy with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. Without written report.
- **May 24, 2007:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 173.
- **Apr 25, 2007:** Committee on the Judiciary. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Mar 22, 2007:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
- **Mar 21, 2007:** Ms. Sanchez, Linda T. moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Mar 21, 2007:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H2790-2793)
- **Mar 21, 2007:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 740.
- **Mar 21, 2007:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **Mar 21, 2007:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H2796-2797)
- **Mar 21, 2007:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 413 - 1 (Roll no. 178).(text: CR H2790)
- **Mar 21, 2007:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 413 - 1 (Roll no. 178). (text: CR H2790)
- **Mar 21, 2007:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Mar 8, 2007:** Reported by the Committee on Judiciary. H. Rept. 110-37.
- **Mar 8, 2007:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 13.
- **Feb 7, 2007:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Feb 7, 2007:** Ordered to be Reported by Voice Vote.
- **Feb 6, 2007:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Feb 6, 2007:** Subcommittee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Feb 6, 2007:** Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee by Voice Vote .
- **Feb 2, 2007:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- **Jan 31, 2007:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 31, 2007:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.