

HR 964

Spy Act

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Rep. Calvert, Ken [R-CA-44]	R · CA		May 22, 2007

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 7, 2007
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 9, 2007

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Science, Technology, Communications

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 HR 1525	Related bill	May 23, 2007: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Summary (as of Jun 6, 2007)

Securely Protect Yourself Against Cyber Trespass Act or Spy Act - (Sec. 2) Makes it unlawful for any person who is not the owner or authorized user (user) of a protected computer (a computer exclusively for the use of a financial institution or the U.S. government, or a computer used in interstate or foreign commerce or communication) to engage in unfair or deceptive acts or practices in connection with specified conduct, including: (1) taking unsolicited control of the computer; (2) modifying computer settings; (3) collecting personally identifiable information; (4) inducing the owner or authorized user to disclose personally identifiable information; (5) inducing the unsolicited installation of computer software; and (6) removing or disabling a security, anti-spyware, or anti-virus technology.

(Sec. 3) Makes it unlawful for a person to: (1) transmit to a protected computer any information collection program (a program that collects personally identifiable information and uses the information to send advertising), unless such program provides notice required by this Act before downloading or installing any of the information collection program; or (2) execute any collection information program installed on a protected computer unless, before execution, the user has consented to such execution under notice requirements of this Act. Provides an exception with respect to Internet activity within a particular website when the information collected is sent only to the provider of the website accessed or Internet-based search function.

(Sec. 5) Sets forth various exceptions and limitations.

(Sec. 7) Requires reports.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 17, 2007:** Star Print ordered on the bill.
- **Jun 7, 2007:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
- **Jun 6, 2007:** Mr. Rush moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Jun 6, 2007:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H6031-6037)
- **Jun 6, 2007:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 964.
- **Jun 6, 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.
- **Jun 6, 2007:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H6047-6048)
- **Jun 6, 2007:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 368 - 48 (Roll no. 434).(text: CR H6031-6035)
- **Jun 6, 2007:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 368 - 48 (Roll no. 434). (text: CR H6031-6035)
- **Jun 6, 2007:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **May 24, 2007:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Energy and Commerce. H. Rept. 110-169.
- **May 24, 2007:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 101.
- **May 10, 2007:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **May 10, 2007:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended).
- **Feb 9, 2007:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection.
- **Feb 8, 2007:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 8, 2007:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.