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Truth in Caller ID Act of 2009

Congress: 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Science, Technology, Communications

Introduced: Jan 7, 2009

Current Status: Became Public Law No: 111-331.

Latest Action: Became Public Law No: 111-331. (Dec 22, 2010)

Law: 111-331 (Enacted Dec 22, 2010)

Official Text: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/111th-congress/senate-bill/30>

Sponsor

Name: Sen. Nelson, Bill [D-FL]

Party: Democratic • **State:** FL • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (3 total)

| Cosponsor | Party / State | Role | Date Joined |
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| Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN] | D · MN | | Jan 7, 2009 |
| Sen. McCaskill, Claire [D-MO] | D · MO | | Jan 7, 2009 |
| Sen. Snowe, Olympia J. [R-ME] | R · ME | | Jan 7, 2009 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee | Senate | Reported By | Nov 2, 2009 |
| Energy and Commerce Committee | House | Referred To | Feb 24, 2010 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Science, Technology, Communications

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
|-------------|--------------|--|
| 111 HR 1258 | Related bill | Apr 15, 2010: Received in the Senate. Read twice. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 346. |

(This measure has not been amended since it was passed by the Senate on February 23, 2010. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Truth in Caller ID Act of 2009 - Amends the Communications Act of 1934 to make it unlawful for any person in the United States, in connection with any telecommunications service or Internet protocol (IP)-enabled voice service, to cause any caller identification (ID) service to transmit misleading or inaccurate caller ID information with the intent to defraud, cause harm, or wrongfully obtain anything of value, unless such transmission is exempted in connection with: (1) authorized activities of law enforcement agencies; or (2) a court order specifically authorizing the use of caller ID manipulation.

Prohibits anything in this Act from being construed as preventing or restricting any person from blocking any caller identification service.

Requires a related report by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to Congress.

Provides civil and criminal penalties for violations. Allows enforcement by states (with authorized intervention by the FCC).

Declares that this Act does not prohibit any lawfully authorized investigative, protective, or intelligence activity of a law enforcement agency of the United States, a state, or a state's political subdivision, or of a U.S. intelligence agency.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 22, 2010:** Signed by President.
- **Dec 22, 2010:** Became Public Law No: 111-331.
- **Dec 17, 2010:** Presented to President.
- **Dec 15, 2010:** Mr. Boucher moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Dec 15, 2010:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H8376-8380)
- **Dec 15, 2010:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on S. 30.
- **Dec 15, 2010:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H8377)
- **Dec 15, 2010:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H8377)
- **Dec 15, 2010:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Dec 15, 2010:** Cleared for White House.
- **Feb 24, 2010:** Received in the House.
- **Feb 24, 2010:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Feb 24, 2010:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.
- **Feb 23, 2010:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S713-714)
- **Feb 23, 2010:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with amendments by Unanimous Consent.(text: CR S713-714)
- **Feb 23, 2010:** Passed Senate with amendments by Unanimous Consent. (text: CR S713-714)
- **Nov 2, 2009:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Reported by Senator Rockefeller without amendment. With written report No. 111-96.
- **Nov 2, 2009:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 194.
- **Aug 5, 2009:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Jan 7, 2009:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jan 7, 2009:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S173-174)
- **Jan 7, 2009:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. (text of measure as introduced: CR S174)