

HR 1860

Digital Goods and Services Tax Fairness Act of 2011

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Discharged from	Jun 26, 2012

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Taxation

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 S 971	Related bill	May 12, 2011: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Summary (as of May 12, 2011)

Digital Goods and Services Tax Fairness Act of 2011 - Prohibits a state or local jurisdiction from imposing multiple or discriminatory taxes on or with respect to the sale or use of digital goods or services delivered or transferred electronically to a customer. Excludes from the definition of "digital service" telecommunications service, Internet access service, or audio or video programming service.

Restricts taxation of digital goods and services to the retail sale of such goods and services and by the jurisdiction encompassing a customer's tax address.

Prohibits the use of existing regulations or administrative rulings relating to the taxation of tangible personal property or other services to impose any tax on the sale or use of digital goods or services.

Grants jurisdiction to federal district courts to prevent a violation of this Act, without regard to the amount in controversy or the citizenship of the parties.

Expresses the sense of Congress that each state shall take reasonable steps to prevent multiple taxation of digital goods and services where a foreign country has imposed a tax on such goods and services.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 28, 2012:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jun 28, 2012:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Jun 26, 2012:** Subcommittee on Courts, Commercial and Administrative Law Discharged.
- **May 23, 2011:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **May 23, 2011:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, Commercial and Administrative Law.
- **May 12, 2011:** Introduced in House
- **May 12, 2011:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.

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