

## S 1551

DOTCOM Act of 2015

**Congress:** 114 (2015–2017, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Science, Technology, Communications

**Introduced:** Jun 11, 2015

**Current Status:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 657.

**Latest Action:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 657. (Oct 27, 2016)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/114th-congress/senate-bill/1551>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Thune, John [R-SD]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** SD • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Rubio, Marco [R-FL]	R · FL		Jun 11, 2015
Sen. Schatz, Brian [D-HI]	D · HI		Jun 11, 2015
Sen. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS]	R · MS		Jun 11, 2015
Sen. Ayotte, Kelly [R-NH]	R · NH		Jun 16, 2015
Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]	D · MN		Jun 16, 2015

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Reported By	Oct 27, 2016

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Science, Technology, Communications

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 HR 805	Related bill	<b>Jul 14, 2016:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

## **Domain Openness Through Continued Oversight Matters Act of 2015 or the DOTCOM Act of 2015**

(Sec. 2) This bill prohibits the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information from permitting the National Telecommunications and Information Administration's (NTIA's) role in the performance of the Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA) functions to cease until 30 legislative days after the Assistant Secretary submits to Congress a report that contains: (1) the proposal relating to the transition of the NTIA's stewardship of the IANA functions that was developed in a process convened by the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) at the request of the NTIA, and (2) the following required certifications by the Assistant Secretary.

The bill requires the Assistant Secretary to certify that: (1) such proposal supports and enhances the multistakeholder model of Internet governance, maintains the security, stability, and resiliency of the Internet domain name system, meets the needs of global customers and partners of the IANA services, maintains the openness of the Internet, and does not replace the role of the NTIA with a government-led or intergovernmental organization solution; and (2) the required changes to ICANN's bylaws contained in the final report of ICANN's Cross Community Working Group on Enhancing ICANN Accountability and the changes to ICANN's bylaws required by ICANN's IANA Stewardship Transition Coordination Group have been adopted.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Oct 27, 2016:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Reported by Senator Thune under authority of the order of the Senate of 09/29/2016 with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. Without written report.
- **Oct 27, 2016:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 657.
- **Jun 25, 2015:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Jun 11, 2015:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jun 11, 2015:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

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