

## S 2116

### Small Business Broadband and Emerging Information Technology Enhancement Act of 2015

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Commerce

**Introduced:** Oct 1, 2015

**Current Status:** By Senator Vitter from Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship filed written report under a

**Latest Action:** By Senator Vitter from Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship filed written report under authority of the order of the Senate of 12/10/2016. Report No. 114-412. (Dec 20, 2016)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH]

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

### Cosponsors (6 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Vitter, David [R-LA]	R · LA		Oct 1, 2015
Sen. Hirono, Mazie K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Oct 5, 2015
Sen. Booker, Cory A. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Oct 6, 2015
Sen. Markey, Edward J. [D-MA]	D · MA		Oct 6, 2015
Sen. Peters, Gary C. [D-MI]	D · MI		Oct 6, 2015
Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Feb 1, 2016

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Small Business and Entrepreneurship Committee	Senate	Reported By	Oct 7, 2015

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Commerce

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 HR 4587	Related bill	<b>Feb 23, 2016:</b> Referred to the House Committee on Small Business.

## **Small Business Broadband and Emerging Information Technology Enhancement Act of 2015**

(Sec. 3) This bill amends the Small Business Act to direct the Small Business Administration (SBA) Office of Investment and Innovation to designate a senior employee to serve as the broadband and emerging information technology (BEIT) coordinator.

The Office must also provide SBA employees BEIT training to assist small businesses in the use of such technologies.

The SBA Chief Counsel for Advocacy shall evaluate the impact of broadband speed and price on small businesses.

(Sec. 4) Services provided by a small business development center shall include accessing and using BEIT as an authorized activity of small business development centers.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Dec 20, 2016:** By Senator Vitter from Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship filed written report under authority of the order of the Senate of 12/10/2016. Report No. 114-412.
- **Oct 7, 2015:** Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Oct 7, 2015:** Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship. Reported by Senator Vitter with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. Without written report.
- **Oct 7, 2015:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 253.
- **Oct 1, 2015:** Introduced in Senate
- **Oct 1, 2015:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

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