

HR 1754

To amend the Federal Trade Commission Act to clarify the scope of the exception for common carriers.

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Commerce

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial And Antitrust Law. (Apr 12, 2017)

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Sponsor

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 31, 2017
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 12, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

This bill amends the Federal Trade Commission Act to authorize the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) to regulate activities of common carriers insofar as the activities are not regulated by the Federal Communications Commission under the Communications Act of 1934 or by the Surface Transportation Board or the Department of Transportation under interstate transportation laws.

Under current law, these common carriers are exempt from the FTC's authority based merely on their status as common carriers. The bill continues to prohibit the FTC from regulating common carriers insofar as they are subject to communications and transportation laws, but allows the FTC to regulate other activities of common carriers under its authority to investigate and prevent unfair methods of competition and unfair or deceptive acts or practices.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 12, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial And Antitrust Law.
- **Mar 31, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Digital Commerce and Consumer Protection.
- **Mar 28, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 28, 2017:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.