

HR 1761

Protecting Against Child Exploitation Act of 2017

Congress: 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

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Current Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Latest Action: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (Jun 5, 2017)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Johnson, Mike [R-LA-4]

Party: Republican • State: LA • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (6 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Poe, Ted [R-TX-2]	R · TX		Apr 12, 2017
Rep. Biggs, Andy [R-AZ-5]	R · AZ		Apr 26, 2017
Rep. Scalise, Steve [R-LA-1]	R · LA		Apr 26, 2017
Rep. Sessions, Pete [R-TX-32]	R · TX		May 19, 2017
Rep. Roe, David P. [R-TN-1]	R · TN		May 22, 2017
Rep. Tenney, Claudia [R-NY-22]	R · NY		May 22, 2017

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 12, 2017
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 5, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 6847	Related bill	Sep 26, 2018: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
115 HRES 352	Procedurally related	May 24, 2017: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

(This measure has not been amended since it was reported to the House on May 22, 2017. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

### **Protecting Against Child Exploitation Act of 2017**

(Sec. 2) This bill makes it a federal crime, subject to certain jurisdictional requirements, to: (1) knowingly produce or cause to be produced a visual depiction of a minor engaged in any sexually explicit conduct; (2) knowingly transmit a live depiction of a minor engaged in sexually explicit conduct; (3) have a minor assist any other person in producing or transmitting a depiction of a minor engaged in sexually explicit conduct; and (4) as parent or legal guardian, knowingly permit a minor to engage in sexually explicit conduct knowing that a visual depiction of such conduct will be produced or transmitted.

The bill removes the "purpose" requirement for certain offenses involving the sexual exploitation of children occurring outside of the United States or within its territories or possessions.

No criminal charges related to transmitting a live visual depiction of a minor engaged in sexually explicit conduct may be brought against an electronic communication service provider or remote computing service provider unless such provider has intentionally transmitted the visual depiction with actual knowledge of its content.

(Sec. 3) Subject to certain exceptions, a civil claim or criminal charge against an electronic communication service provider, a remote computing service provider, or domain name registrar arising from the response to a search warrant or other legal process under various federal laws relating to sexual exploitation and other abuse of children may not be brought in any federal or state court.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jun 5, 2017:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
- **May 25, 2017:** Considered under the provisions of rule H. Res. 352. (consideration: CR H4582-4590)
- **May 25, 2017:** The resolution provides for one hour of general debate on H.R. 1973 and H.R. 1761. The resolution provides for proceedings during the period from May 26, 2017 through June 5, 2017.
- **May 25, 2017:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on H.R. 1761.
- **May 25, 2017:** DEBATE - Pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 352, the House proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Jackson Lee amendment No. 1.
- **May 25, 2017:** Passed/agreed to in House: On passage Passed by recorded vote: 368 - 51 (Roll no. 284).(text: CR H4582-4583)
- **May 25, 2017:** On passage Passed by recorded vote: 368 - 51 (Roll no. 284). (text: CR H4582-4583)
- **May 25, 2017:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **May 24, 2017:** Rule H. Res. 352 passed House.
- **May 23, 2017:** Rules Committee Resolution H. Res. 352 Reported to House. The resolution provides for one hour of general debate on H.R. 1973 and H.R. 1761. The resolution provides for proceedings during the period from May 26, 2017 through June 5, 2017.
- **May 22, 2017:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Judiciary. H. Rept. 115-137.
- **May 22, 2017:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 86.
- **May 3, 2017:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **May 3, 2017:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Apr 12, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations.
- **Mar 28, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 28, 2017:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.