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2020 Census IDEA Act

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Sen. Nelson, Bill [D-FL]	D · FL		Jun 14, 2018
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Sen. Kaine, Tim [D-VA]	D · VA		Jul 16, 2018
Sen. Van Hollen, Chris [D-MD]	D · MD		Jul 17, 2018
Sen. King, Angus S., Jr. [I-ME]	I · ME		Jul 24, 2018
Sen. Warner, Mark R. [D-VA]	D · VA		Sep 12, 2018

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 20, 2018

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 5359	Related bill	Mar 21, 2018: Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

Summary (as of Mar 20, 2018)

2020 Census Improving Data and Enhanced Accuracy Act or the 2020 Census IDEA Act

This bill prohibits the Department of Commerce, in the 2020 decennial census of population and each decennial census thereafter, from: (1) implementing any major operational design that has not been researched, studied, and tested for a period of not less than three years before the date on which the applicable census occurs; or (2) including on the questionnaire for the census any subject, type of information, or question that was not submitted to Congress.

The Government Accountability Office must determine that the subjects, types of information, and questions to be included in a decennial census have been adequately researched, studied, and tested to the same degree as in previous decennial censuses.

Actions Timeline

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