HR 4231

BEST Act

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
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Subjects & Policy Tags

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Government Operations and Politics

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 S 578	Identical bill	**Mar 8, 2017:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

Summary (as of Nov 2, 2017)

Better Evaluation of Science and Technology Act or the BEST Act

This bill requires a federal agency, to the extent it is making a decision based on science when issuing a rule, to use scientific information, technical procedures, methods, protocols, methodologies, or models in a manner that is consistent with the best available science and the intended use of the information, based on the weight of the scientific evidence.

Each federal agency shall make available to the public: (1) all of its notices, determinations, findings, rules, consent agreements, and orders in connection with a rule; (2) a nontechnical summary of each risk evaluation conducted in connection with a rule; and (3) a list of the studies considered by the agency in carrying out each evaluation, along with the results of those studies.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 21, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial And Antitrust Law.
- **Nov 2, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Nov 2, 2017:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.