

HR 6548

Data Broker Accountability and Transparency Act of 2018

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		Jul 26, 2018
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 27, 2018

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 S 1815	Related bill	Sep 14, 2017: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

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This bill prohibits data brokers from obtaining or causing to be disclosed personal information relating to any person by making a false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or representation, including by providing any document that the broker knows or should know to: (1) be forged, counterfeit, lost, stolen, or fraudulently obtained; or (2) contain a false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or representation.

The bill defines "data broker" as a commercial entity that collects, assembles, or maintains personal information concerning an individual who is not a customer or an employee of that entity in order to sell or provide third-party access to the information.

Data brokers must establish procedures to ensure the accuracy of the personal information they collect, assemble, or maintain, and provide individuals a cost-free means to review their personal or identifying information.

Individuals may dispute the accuracy of their personal information with a written request that the data broker make a correction.

Data brokers must provide individuals with a reasonable means of expressing a preference to exclude their information from being used, shared, or sold for marketing purposes.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 27, 2018:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Digital Commerce and Consumer Protection.
- **Jul 26, 2018:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 26, 2018:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.