

## HR 7363

Biased Algorithm Deterrence Act of 2018

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Science, Technology, Communications

**Introduced:** Dec 20, 2018

**Current Status:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce. (Dec 20, 2018)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Gohmert, Louie [R-TX-1]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** TX • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors

*No cosponsors are listed for this bill.*

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	Dec 20, 2018

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Science, Technology, Communications

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of Dec 20, 2018)

#### Biased Algorithm Deterrence Act of 2018

This bill provides that an owner or operator of a social media service shall be treated as a publisher or speaker of user-generated content (and, therefore, may potentially be held liable with respect to such content) if the service or its algorithm does any of the following:

- displays user-generated content in an order that is not chronological;
- delays the display of such content relative to other content; or
- hinders the display of such content for reasons other than to carry out the user's direction or to restrict material that the provider or user considers obscene, lewd, lascivious, filthy, excessively violent, harassing, or otherwise objectionable.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Dec 20, 2018:** Introduced in House
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