

## HR 1289

PHONE Act of 2020

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

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

**Introduced:** Feb 14, 2019

**Current Status:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transp

**Latest Action:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. (Sep 30, 2020)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-bill/1289>

### Sponsor

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**Name:** Rep. Thompson, Mike [D-CA-5]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** CA • **Chamber:** House

## Cosponsors (36 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Feb 14, 2019
Rep. Carson, Andre [D-IN-7]	D · IN		Feb 14, 2019
Rep. Dunn, Neal P. [R-FL-2]	R · FL		Feb 14, 2019
Rep. Eshoo, Anna G. [D-CA-18]	D · CA		Feb 14, 2019
Rep. Garamendi, John [D-CA-3]	D · CA		Feb 14, 2019
Rep. Garcia, Sylvia R. [D-TX-29]	D · TX		Feb 14, 2019
Rep. Kuster, Ann M. [D-NH-2]	D · NH		Feb 14, 2019
Rep. Rooney, Francis [R-FL-19]	R · FL		Feb 14, 2019
Rep. Weber, Randy K., Sr. [R-TX-14]	R · TX		Feb 14, 2019
Rep. Newhouse, Dan [R-WA-4]	R · WA		Feb 26, 2019
Rep. Jackson Lee, Sheila [D-TX-18]	D · TX		Mar 18, 2019
Rep. Peters, Scott H. [D-CA-52]	D · CA		Mar 18, 2019
Rep. Olson, Pete [R-TX-22]	R · TX		Mar 27, 2019
Rep. King, Steve [R-IA-4]	R · IA		Apr 12, 2019
Rep. LaMalfa, Doug [R-CA-1]	R · CA		Apr 18, 2019
Rep. Posey, Bill [R-FL-8]	R · FL		Apr 18, 2019
Rep. Case, Ed [D-HI-1]	D · HI		Apr 25, 2019
Rep. Cole, Tom [R-OK-4]	R · OK		May 1, 2019
Rep. Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [R-PA-1]	R · PA		May 7, 2019
Rep. Thompson, Bennie G. [D-MS-2]	D · MS		May 7, 2019
Rep. Cunningham, Joe [D-SC-1]	D · SC		May 9, 2019
Rep. McCaul, Michael T. [R-TX-10]	R · TX		Jun 5, 2019
Rep. Rouda, Harley [D-CA-48]	D · CA		Jul 12, 2019
Rep. Titus, Dina [D-NV-1]	D · NV		Jul 12, 2019
Rep. Axne, Cynthia [D-IA-3]	D · IA		Jul 17, 2019
Rep. Huffman, Jared [D-CA-2]	D · CA		Jul 22, 2019
Rep. Crenshaw, Dan [R-TX-2]	R · TX		Aug 2, 2019
Rep. Slotkin, Elissa [D-MI-8]	D · MI		Aug 2, 2019
Rep. Castor, Kathy [D-FL-14]	D · FL		Sep 9, 2019
Rep. Luria, Elaine G. [D-VA-2]	D · VA		Sep 19, 2019
Rep. Matsui, Doris O. [D-CA-6]	D · CA		Oct 31, 2019
Rep. Brownley, Julia [D-CA-26]	D · CA		Nov 12, 2019
Rep. Swalwell, Eric [D-CA-15]	D · CA		Nov 18, 2019
Rep. McNerney, Jerry [D-CA-9]	D · CA		Jan 15, 2020
Rep. Lowenthal, Alan S. [D-CA-47]	D · CA		Aug 14, 2020
Rep. Rutherford, John H. [R-FL-4]	R · FL		Aug 14, 2020

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	Sep 30, 2020
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Reported by	Mar 10, 2020

## Subjects & Policy Tags

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### Policy Area:

Science, Technology, Communications

### Related Bills

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*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of Sep 29, 2020)

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#### Preserving Home and Office Numbers in Emergencies Act of 2020 or the PHONE Act of 2020

This bill restricts the reassignment of a telephone number assigned to a subscriber for the provision of fixed wireline voice service.

Specifically, for up to one year after a major disaster has been declared, such number may not be reassigned except at the request of the subscriber. Further, a subscriber may cancel service without a cancellation fee and resubscribe with the same number and no fee if the subscriber is located in a disaster area and the residence where the number is located is inaccessible or uninhabitable.

### Actions Timeline

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- **Sep 30, 2020:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
- **Sep 29, 2020:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Energy and Commerce. H. Rept. 116-541.
- **Sep 29, 2020:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 441.
- **Sep 29, 2020:** Mr. Pallone moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Sep 29, 2020:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H4971-4973)
- **Sep 29, 2020:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 1289.
- **Sep 29, 2020:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.
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- **Sep 29, 2020:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Sep 9, 2020:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Sep 9, 2020:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Mar 10, 2020:** Subcommittee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Mar 10, 2020:** Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee (Amended) by Voice Vote .
- **Feb 27, 2020:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Feb 15, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Communications and Technology.
- **Feb 14, 2019:** Introduced in House
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