

HR 2355

ROBO Calls and Texts Act of 2019

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Apr 30, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Science, Technology, Communications

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 1239	Related bill	Apr 30, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

Summary (as of Apr 25, 2019)

Regulatory Oversight Barring Obnoxious Calls and Texts Act of 2019 or the ROBO Calls and Texts Act of 2019

This bill requires the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to establish a Robocall Division within the Enforcement Bureau.

The Robocall Division shall be tasked with (1) ensuring consumer protection and compliance with federal laws relating to robocalls; (2) serving as a line of communication between the federal government and the communications industry, as well as between the FCC and related federal agencies, to coordinate efforts to eliminate robocalls; and (3) managing and addressing consumer complaints regarding robocalls.

Additionally, the bill requires the FCC to compel telecommunications providers to adopt technological standards for preventing robocalls.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 30, 2019:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Apr 26, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Communications and Technology.
- **Apr 25, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 25, 2019:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.