

## HR 2426

CASE Act of 2019

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Commerce

**Introduced:** May 1, 2019

**Current Status:** Received in the Senate. Read twice. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Cale

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Calendar No. 266. (Oct 23, 2019)

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### Sponsor

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**Name:** Rep. Jeffries, Hakeem S. [D-NY-8]

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

**Cosponsors** (152 total)

<b>Cosponsor</b>	<b>Party / State</b>	<b>Role</b>	<b>Date Joined</b>
Rep. Chu, Judy [D-CA-27]	D · CA		May 1, 2019
Rep. Cline, Ben [R-VA-6]	R · VA		May 1, 2019
Rep. Collins, Doug [R-GA-9]	R · GA		May 1, 2019
Rep. Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [R-PA-1]	R · PA		May 1, 2019
Rep. Johnson, Henry C. "Hank," Jr. [D-GA-4]	D · GA		May 1, 2019
Rep. Lieu, Ted [D-CA-33]	D · CA		May 1, 2019
Rep. Nadler, Jerrold [D-NY-10]	D · NY		May 1, 2019
Rep. Roby, Martha [R-AL-2]	R · AL		May 1, 2019
Rep. Budd, Ted [R-NC-13]	R · NC		May 10, 2019
Rep. Thompson, Bennie G. [D-MS-2]	D · MS		May 10, 2019
Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		May 16, 2019
Rep. Marchant, Kenny [R-TX-24]	R · TX		May 16, 2019
Rep. Chabot, Steve [R-OH-1]	R · OH		May 23, 2019
Rep. Demings, Val Butler [D-FL-10]	D · FL		May 23, 2019
Rep. McBath, Lucy [D-GA-6]	D · GA		May 23, 2019
Rep. Schiff, Adam B. [D-CA-28]	D · CA		May 23, 2019
Rep. Bacon, Don [R-NE-2]	R · NE		Jun 4, 2019
Rep. Cicilline, David N. [D-RI-1]	D · RI		Jun 4, 2019
Rep. DesJarlais, Scott [R-TN-4]	R · TN		Jun 4, 2019
Rep. Ferguson, A. Drew, IV [R-GA-3]	R · GA		Jun 4, 2019
Rep. Rouda, Harley [D-CA-48]	D · CA		Jun 4, 2019
Rep. Scanlon, Mary Gay [D-PA-5]	D · PA		Jun 4, 2019
Rep. Soto, Darren [D-FL-9]	D · FL		Jun 4, 2019
Rep. Stanton, Greg [D-AZ-9]	D · AZ		Jun 4, 2019
Rep. Case, Ed [D-HI-1]	D · HI		Jun 11, 2019
Rep. Deutch, Theodore E. [D-FL-22]	D · FL		Jun 11, 2019
Rep. Johnson, Mike [R-LA-4]	R · LA		Jun 11, 2019
Rep. Ratcliffe, John [R-TX-4]	R · TX		Jun 11, 2019
Rep. Sensenbrenner, F. James, Jr. [R-WI-5]	R · WI		Jun 11, 2019
Rep. Walker, Mark [R-NC-6]	R · NC		Jun 11, 2019
Rep. Correa, J. Luis [D-CA-46]	D · CA		Jun 14, 2019
Rep. Lesko, Debbie [R-AZ-8]	R · AZ		Jun 14, 2019
Rep. Mucarsel-Powell, Debbie [D-FL-26]	D · FL		Jun 14, 2019
Rep. Reschenthaler, Guy [R-PA-14]	R · PA		Jun 14, 2019
Rep. Dean, Madeleine [D-PA-4]	D · PA		Jun 20, 2019
Rep. Richmond, Cedric L. [D-LA-2]	D · LA		Jun 20, 2019
Rep. Jackson Lee, Sheila [D-TX-18]	D · TX		Jun 24, 2019
Rep. Cárdenas, Tony [D-CA-29]	D · CA		Jul 2, 2019
Rep. Cox, TJ [D-CA-21]	D · CA		Jul 2, 2019
Rep. Gonzalez, Vicente [D-TX-15]	D · TX		Jul 2, 2019
Rep. Harder, Josh [D-CA-10]	D · CA		Jul 2, 2019

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Rep. Bonamici, Suzanne [D-OR-1]	D · OR		Jul 9, 2019
Rep. Yoho, Ted S. [R-FL-3]	R · FL		Jul 9, 2019
Rep. Biggs, Andy [R-AZ-5]	R · AZ		Jul 10, 2019
Rep. DeFazio, Peter A. [D-OR-4]	D · OR		Jul 10, 2019
Rep. Lee, Susie [D-NV-3]	D · NV		Jul 10, 2019
Rep. Maloney, Sean Patrick [D-NY-18]	D · NY		Jul 10, 2019
Rep. Haaland, Debra A. [D-NM-1]	D · NM		Jul 15, 2019
Rep. Meadows, Mark [R-NC-11]	R · NC		Jul 15, 2019
Rep. Steube, W. Gregory [R-FL-17]	R · FL		Jul 15, 2019
Rep. Velazquez, Nydia M. [D-NY-7]	D · NY		Jul 15, 2019
Rep. Wittman, Robert J. [R-VA-1]	R · VA		Jul 15, 2019
Rep. Rose, Max [D-NY-11]	D · NY		Jul 18, 2019
Rep. Watkins, Steve [R-KS-2]	R · KS		Jul 18, 2019
Rep. McClintock, Tom [R-CA-4]	R · CA		Jul 22, 2019
Rep. Raskin, Jamie [D-MD-8]	D · MD		Jul 22, 2019
Rep. Brown, Anthony G. [D-MD-4]	D · MD		Jul 25, 2019
Rep. Curtis, John R. [R-UT-3]	R · UT		Jul 25, 2019
Rep. Davis, Rodney [R-IL-13]	R · IL		Jul 25, 2019
Rep. Delgado, Antonio [D-NY-19]	D · NY		Jul 25, 2019
Rep. Sánchez, Linda T. [D-CA-38]	D · CA		Jul 25, 2019
Rep. Suozzi, Thomas R. [D-NY-3]	D · NY		Jul 25, 2019
Rep. Cuellar, Henry [D-TX-28]	D · TX		Jul 30, 2019
Rep. Meng, Grace [D-NY-6]	D · NY		Jul 30, 2019
Rep. Taylor, Van [R-TX-3]	R · TX		Jul 30, 2019
Rep. Burchett, Tim [R-TN-2]	R · TN		Aug 2, 2019
Rep. Escobar, Veronica [D-TX-16]	D · TX		Aug 2, 2019
Rep. Trone, David J. [D-MD-6]	D · MD		Aug 2, 2019
Rep. Bass, Karen [D-CA-37]	D · CA		Aug 6, 2019
Rep. Clark, Katherine M. [D-MA-5]	D · MA		Aug 6, 2019
Rep. Krishnamoorthi, Raja [D-IL-8]	D · IL		Aug 6, 2019
Rep. Wild, Susan [D-PA-7]	D · PA		Aug 6, 2019
Rep. Brooks, Mo [R-AL-5]	R · AL		Aug 16, 2019
Rep. Foster, Bill [D-IL-11]	D · IL		Aug 16, 2019
Rep. Fudge, Marcia L. [D-OH-11]	D · OH		Aug 16, 2019
Rep. Gabbard, Tulsi [D-HI-2]	D · HI		Aug 16, 2019
Rep. Lawrence, Brenda L. [D-MI-14]	D · MI		Aug 16, 2019
Rep. Rutherford, John H. [R-FL-4]	R · FL		Aug 16, 2019
Rep. Scott, David [D-GA-13]	D · GA		Aug 16, 2019
Rep. Clarke, Yvette D. [D-NY-9]	D · NY		Aug 27, 2019
Rep. Evans, Dwight [D-PA-3]	D · PA		Aug 27, 2019
Rep. Costa, Jim [D-CA-16]	D · CA		Sep 6, 2019
Rep. Fletcher, Lizzie [D-TX-7]	D · TX		Sep 6, 2019

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Rep. Payne, Donald M., Jr. [D-NJ-10]	D · NJ		Sep 6, 2019
Rep. Garcia, Sylvia R. [D-TX-29]	D · TX		Sep 9, 2019
Rep. Jayapal, Pramila [D-WA-7]	D · WA		Sep 9, 2019
Rep. Lujan, Ben Ray [D-NM-3]	D · NM		Sep 9, 2019
Rep. Van Drew, Jefferson [D-NJ-2]	D · NJ		Sep 9, 2019
Rep. Gottheimer, Josh [D-NJ-5]	D · NJ		Sep 10, 2019
Rep. Kuster, Ann M. [D-NH-2]	D · NH		Sep 10, 2019
Rep. Neguse, Joe [D-CO-2]	D · CO		Sep 10, 2019
Rep. Espaillat, Adriano [D-NY-13]	D · NY		Sep 11, 2019
Rep. Murphy, Stephanie N. [D-FL-7]	D · FL		Sep 11, 2019
Rep. Hayes, Jahana [D-CT-5]	D · CT		Sep 18, 2019
Rep. Loudermilk, Barry [R-GA-11]	R · GA		Sep 18, 2019
Rep. Gomez, Jimmy [D-CA-34]	D · CA		Sep 20, 2019
Rep. Babin, Brian [R-TX-36]	R · TX		Sep 25, 2019
Rep. Craig, Angie [D-MN-2]	D · MN		Sep 25, 2019
Rep. Gooden, Lance [R-TX-5]	R · TX		Sep 25, 2019
Rep. Hill, Katie [D-CA-25]	D · CA		Sep 25, 2019
Rep. Bishop, Sanford D., Jr. [D-GA-2]	D · GA		Sep 26, 2019
Rep. Clay, Wm. Lacy [D-MO-1]	D · MO		Sep 26, 2019
Rep. Johnson, Eddie Bernice [D-TX-30]	D · TX		Sep 26, 2019
Rep. Lee, Barbara [D-CA-13]	D · CA		Sep 26, 2019
Rep. Pressley, Ayanna [D-MA-7]	D · MA		Sep 26, 2019
Rep. Watson Coleman, Bonnie [D-NJ-12]	D · NJ		Sep 26, 2019
Rep. Flores, Bill [R-TX-17]	R · TX		Oct 1, 2019
Rep. Hice, Jody B. [R-GA-10]	R · GA		Oct 1, 2019
Rep. Huffman, Jared [D-CA-2]	D · CA		Oct 1, 2019
Rep. King, Peter T. [R-NY-2]	R · NY		Oct 1, 2019
Rep. Schakowsky, Janice D. [D-IL-9]	D · IL		Oct 1, 2019
Rep. Veasey, Marc A. [D-TX-33]	D · TX		Oct 1, 2019
Rep. Cooper, Jim [D-TN-5]	D · TN		Oct 4, 2019
Rep. Lamb, Conor [D-PA-17]	D · PA		Oct 4, 2019
Rep. Lowenthal, Alan S. [D-CA-47]	D · CA		Oct 4, 2019
Rep. Napolitano, Grace F. [D-CA-32]	D · CA		Oct 4, 2019
Rep. Rigglesman, Denver [R-VA-5]	R · VA		Oct 4, 2019
Rep. Sherman, Brad [D-CA-30]	D · CA		Oct 4, 2019
Rep. Waters, Maxine [D-CA-43]	D · CA		Oct 4, 2019
Rep. Castro, Joaquin [D-TX-20]	D · TX		Oct 8, 2019
Rep. Doggett, Lloyd [D-TX-35]	D · TX		Oct 8, 2019
Rep. Green, Mark E. [R-TN-7]	R · TN		Oct 8, 2019
Rep. Stefanik, Elise M. [R-NY-21]	R · NY		Oct 8, 2019
Rep. Stivers, Steve [R-OH-15]	R · OH		Oct 8, 2019
Rep. Zeldin, Lee M. [R-NY-1]	R · NY		Oct 8, 2019

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Rep. DeSaulnier, Mark [D-CA-11]	D · CA		Oct 11, 2019
Rep. Wagner, Ann [R-MO-2]	R · MO		Oct 11, 2019
Rep. Aderholt, Robert B. [R-AL-4]	R · AL		Oct 15, 2019
Rep. Cole, Tom [R-OK-4]	R · OK		Oct 16, 2019
Rep. Finkenauer, Abby [D-IA-1]	D · IA		Oct 16, 2019
Rep. Allred, Colin Z. [D-TX-32]	D · TX		Oct 18, 2019
Rep. Cunningham, Joe [D-SC-1]	D · SC		Oct 18, 2019
Rep. Rice, Kathleen M. [D-NY-4]	D · NY		Oct 18, 2019
Rep. Spanberger, Abigail Davis [D-VA-7]	D · VA		Oct 18, 2019
Rep. Visclosky, Peter J. [D-IN-1]	D · IN		Oct 18, 2019
Rep. Axne, Cynthia [D-IA-3]	D · IA		Oct 21, 2019
Rep. Barragan, Nanette Diaz [D-CA-44]	D · CA		Oct 21, 2019
Rep. Blunt Rochester, Lisa [D-DE-At Large]	D · DE		Oct 21, 2019
Rep. Boyle, Brendan F. [D-PA-2]	D · PA		Oct 21, 2019
Rep. Bustos, Cheri [D-IL-17]	D · IL		Oct 21, 2019
Rep. Carbajal, Salud O. [D-CA-24]	D · CA		Oct 21, 2019
Rep. Cisneros, Gilbert Ray, Jr. [D-CA-39]	D · CA		Oct 21, 2019
Rep. Estes, Ron [R-KS-4]	R · KS		Oct 21, 2019
Rep. Hern, Kevin [R-OK-1]	R · OK		Oct 21, 2019
Rep. Horn, Kendra S. [D-OK-5]	D · OK		Oct 21, 2019
Rep. Malinowski, Tom [D-NJ-7]	D · NJ		Oct 21, 2019
Rep. Meeks, Gregory W. [D-NY-5]	D · NY		Oct 21, 2019
Rep. Pocan, Mark [D-WI-2]	D · WI		Oct 21, 2019
Rep. Schneider, Bradley Scott [D-IL-10]	D · IL		Oct 21, 2019
Rep. Smith, Adam [D-WA-9]	D · WA		Oct 21, 2019
Rep. Speier, Jackie [D-CA-14]	D · CA		Oct 21, 2019
Rep. Crow, Jason [D-CO-6]	D · CO		Oct 22, 2019

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Discharged from	Sep 10, 2019

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Commerce

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 4632	Related bill	<b>Sep 21, 2020:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
116 S 1273	Identical bill	<b>Sep 12, 2019:</b> Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 206.

## Copyright Alternative in Small-Claims Enforcement Act of 2019 or the CASE Act of 2019

This bill creates the Copyright Claims Board, a body within the U.S. Copyright Office, to decide copyright disputes. Damages awarded by the board are capped at \$30,000.

Participation in board proceedings is voluntary with an opt-out procedure for defendants, and parties may choose instead to have a dispute heard in court. If the parties agree to have their dispute heard by the board, they shall forego the right to be heard before a court and the right to a jury trial. Board proceedings shall have no effect on class actions.

The board shall be authorized to hear copyright infringement claims, actions for a declaration of noninfringement, claims that a party knowingly sent false takedown notices, and related counterclaims.

The bill provides for various procedures, including with respect to requests for information from the other party and requests for the board to reconsider a decision.

The board may issue monetary awards based on actual or statutory damages.

The parties shall bear their own attorneys' fees and costs except where there is bad faith misconduct.

A board's final determination precludes relitigating the claims in court or at the board. Parties may challenge a board decision in federal district court only if (1) the decision was a result of fraud, corruption, or other misconduct; (2) the board exceeded its authority or failed to render a final determination; or (3) in a default ruling or failure to prosecute, the default or failure was excusable.

### Actions Timeline

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- **Oct 23, 2019:** Received in the Senate. Read twice. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 266.
- **Oct 22, 2019:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Judiciary. H. Rept. 116-252.
- **Oct 22, 2019:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 201.
- **Oct 22, 2019:** Mr. Jeffries moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Oct 22, 2019:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H8345-8353)
- **Oct 22, 2019:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 2426.
- **Oct 22, 2019:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **Oct 22, 2019:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H8370-8371)
- **Oct 22, 2019:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 410 - 6 (Roll no. 578).(text: CR H8345-8352)
- **Oct 22, 2019:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 410 - 6 (Roll no. 578). (text: CR H8345-8352)
- **Oct 22, 2019:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Sep 10, 2019:** Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, and the Internet Discharged.
- **Sep 10, 2019:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Sep 10, 2019:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **May 20, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, and the Internet.
- **May 1, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **May 1, 2019:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.