

HR 2896

SHIELD Act of 2019

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

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Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security. (Jun 26, 2019)

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Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Judiciary Committee | House | Referred to | Jun 26, 2019 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 116 S 2111 | Identical bill | Jul 15, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. |

Summary (as of May 22, 2019)

Stopping Harmful Image Exploitation and Limiting Distribution Act of 2019 or the SHIELD Act of 2019

This bill establishes a new criminal offense related to the distribution of intimate visual depictions.

Specifically, it makes it a crime to knowingly distribute (or intentionally threaten to distribute) an intimate visual depiction of an individual (1) with knowledge of or reckless disregard for the individual's lack of consent and reasonable expectation of privacy, and (2) without a reasonable belief that distributing the depiction touches a matter of public concern.

A violator is subject to criminal penalties—a fine, a prison term of up to five years, or both.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 26, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- **May 22, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **May 22, 2019:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.