

S 3835

SCRIPT Act

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Cruz, Ted [R-TX]

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

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 21, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Stopping Censorship, Restoring Integrity, and Protecting Talkies Act or the SCRIPT Act

This bill limits the provision of financial and technical assistance for the production or funding of a film for screening in China.

The President may only authorize the provision of technical support or access to an asset controlled by the federal government for, or authorize a federal agency to enter into a contract related to, the production or funding of a film by a U.S. company, if the company

- provides to the the Department of Commerce a list of all films produced or funded by the company whose content has been submitted, during a specified period, to a Chinese official or the Chinese Communist Party for evaluation for screening in China;
- enters into a written agreement with the President or the federal agency not to alter the content of the film in response to, or in anticipation of, a request by a Chinese official or the Chinese Communist Party; and
- submits such agreement to Commerce.

The bill requires specified annual reports on the films disclosed pursuant to such limitation.

The President may not authorize the provision of such support, access, or authorization of such a contract if (1) the film is co-produced by an entity located in China that is subject to conditions on content imposed by a Chinese official or the Chinese Communist Party, or (2) the company is listed in the most recent annual report.

Actions Timeline

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