

HR 3837

National Fab Lab Network Act of 2019

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Commerce

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Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship. (Aug 15, 2019)

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 15, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 2195	Identical bill	Jul 22, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Summary (as of Jul 18, 2019)

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This bill establishes the National Fab Lab Network as a federally chartered corporation.

A fab lab is a digital fabrication facility with the capabilities necessary to create form and function from digital designs. The bill requires the National Fab Lab Network to (1) endeavor to establish at least one fab lab in each congressional district and additional labs according to local demand, (2) link fab labs into a national network and promote their further expansion across the country, (3) serve as a training and operating resource for fab labs and their leaders and mentors, (4) maintain a national registry of fab labs, and (5) provide standards and protocols for connecting fab labs.

Actions Timeline

- **Aug 15, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship.
- **Jul 18, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 18, 2019:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.