

## S 4138

Telework for U.S. Innovation Act

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Government Operations and Politics

**Introduced:** Jul 1, 2020

**Current Status:** Held at the desk.

**Latest Action:** Held at the desk. (Dec 9, 2020)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/senate-bill/4138>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Lankford, James [R-OK]

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

### Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Sinema, Kyrsten [D-AZ]	D · AZ		Jul 1, 2020
Sen. Coons, Christopher A. [D-DE]	D · DE		Jul 20, 2020
Sen. Hirono, Mazie K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Dec 2, 2020

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Reported By	Oct 1, 2020

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 6395	Related bill	<b>Jan 2, 2021:</b> Message on Senate action sent to the House.
116 HR 7448	Identical bill	<b>Jul 1, 2020:</b> Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Reform.

### Summary (as of Dec 8, 2020)

#### Telework for U.S. Innovation Act

This bill makes permanent the Telework Enhancement Act Pilot Program in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO). The program allows USPTO employees to telework from locations across the United States; USPTO may cover any necessary travel expenses to and from an agency worksite. The program is set to expire on December 31, 2020.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Dec 9, 2020:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Dec 9, 2020:** Received in the House.
- **Dec 9, 2020:** Held at the desk.
- **Dec 8, 2020:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **Dec 8, 2020:** Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S7285-7286; text: CR S7285-7286)
- **Oct 1, 2020:** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Reported by Senator Johnson without amendment. With written report No. 116-276.
- **Oct 1, 2020:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 569.
- **Jul 22, 2020:** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Jul 1, 2020:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jul 1, 2020:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

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