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Save the Internet Act of 2019

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Sponsor

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Sen. Heinrich, Martin [D-NM]	D · NM		Mar 6, 2019
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Sen. Jones, Doug [D-AL]	D · AL		Mar 6, 2019
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Sen. King, Angus S., Jr. [I-ME]	I · ME		Mar 6, 2019
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Sen. Rosen, Jacky [D-NV]	D · NV		Mar 6, 2019
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 6, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 1644	Related bill	Apr 29, 2019: Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 74.

Summary (as of Mar 6, 2019)

Save the Internet Act of 2019

This bill updates the regulatory framework for broadband access. Specifically, the bill repeals a 2017 order adopted by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) that classifies broadband internet access service as an information service, therefore placing it under Federal Trade Commission authority. The order also expands the public transparency rules and preempts local and state laws that conflict with the regulatory framework.

The bill restores a 2015 FCC order, which classifies both mobile and fixed broadband internet access services as telecommunications services, therefore placing the services under FCC authority. Additionally, the bill would create a general conduct standard and restore regulations, including those that prohibit blocking, throttling, and paid prioritization.

Actions Timeline

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