

HRES 721

Calling for the establishment of an app ratings board to enforce consistent and accurate age and content ratings of apps on internet-ready devices and calling on technology companies to ensure the implementation of user-friendly and streamlined parental controls on devices used by minors.

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Nov 21, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

This resolution calls for (1) technology and application (app) development companies to establish an app rating board to establish new criteria for age-appropriate app ratings, and (2) technology companies to manufacture internet-ready devices with user-friendly parental controls and default safety settings.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 21, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Consumer Protection and Commerce.
- **Nov 20, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Nov 20, 2019:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.