

HR 7808

Stop the Censorship Act of 2020

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Rep. Hice, Jody B. [R-GA-10]	R · GA		Dec 2, 2020
Rep. Rose, John W. [R-TN-6]	R · TN		Dec 8, 2020
Rep. Wittman, Robert J. [R-VA-1]	R · VA		Dec 8, 2020

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 29, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Science, Technology, Communications

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 4828	Related bill	Oct 21, 2020: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
116 HR 4027	Related bill	Jul 26, 2019: Referred to the Subcommittee on Communications and Technology.

Summary (as of Jul 29, 2020)

Stop the Censorship Act of 2020

This bill modifies a social media company's immunity from liability for screening and blocking offensive content on its platform.

Under current law, the immunity applies for action taken to restrict content that is obscene, lewd, lascivious, filthy, excessively violent, harassing, or otherwise objectionable. The bill eliminates immunity for restricting content that is otherwise objectionable and applies such immunity when a company restricts content that is unlawful or that promotes violence or terrorism.

Under current law, such immunity also applies to actions taken to enable or make available the technical means to restrict access to such content. The bill applies this immunity to actions taken that provide users with the option to restrict access to any material, regardless of whether such material is constitutionally protected.

Actions Timeline

- Jul 29, 2020:** Introduced in House
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