

HR 7915

To direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to design and establish a pilot program to facilitate voluntary information sharing between State, local, and regional fusion centers and certain technology companies related to threats of imminent violence, and for other purposes.

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Committee Activity

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Protecting America through Information Sharing Act

This bill directs the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to establish a pilot program to facilitate the voluntary sharing of information by social networking website companies regarding threats of imminent violence posted on such websites.

Any framework established for sharing threat information shall include the consultation of civil liberty and privacy groups on a biannual basis to discuss the development of a framework protecting civil liberties and privacy, and the enforcement of policies guiding the pilot program in protecting civil liberties and privacy.

In establishing the pilot program, DHS shall designate a federal or state, local, tribal, or territorial law enforcement agency or regional fusion center to serve as a centralized clearinghouse between social networking website companies and law enforcement.

Actions Timeline

- **Aug 1, 2020:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Intelligence and Counterterrorism.
- **Jul 31, 2020:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 31, 2020:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Homeland Security, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.