

## HR 8454

EARN IT Act of 2020

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Crime and Law Enforcement

**Introduced:** Sep 30, 2020

**Current Status:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary, and Education and Labor, 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. (Sep 30, 2020)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-bill/8454>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Garcia, Sylvia R. [D-TX-29]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** TX • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Wagner, Ann [R-MO-2]	R · MO		Sep 30, 2020
Rep. Napolitano, Grace F. [D-CA-32]	D · CA		Oct 27, 2020
Rep. Lamborn, Doug [R-CO-5]	R · CO		Oct 30, 2020
Rep. Joyce, David P. [R-OH-14]	R · OH		Nov 9, 2020
Rep. McAdams, Ben [D-UT-4]	D · UT		Dec 2, 2020

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 30, 2020
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 30, 2020
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 30, 2020

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 3398	Related bill	<b>Jul 20, 2020:</b> Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 491.
116 HR 5376	Related bill	<b>Jan 30, 2020:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
116 S 3007	Related bill	<b>Dec 10, 2019:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

## **Eliminating Abusive and Rampant Neglect of Interactive Technologies Act of 2020 or the EARN IT Act of 2020**

This bill revises the framework governing the prevention of online sexual exploitation of children.

Among other things, the bill does the following:

- establishes the National Commission on Online Child Sexual Exploitation Prevention;
- directs the commission to develop best practices for interactive online service providers (e.g., Facebook and Twitter) to prevent the online sexual exploitation of children;
- requires interactive online service providers to certify compliance with the best practices (or implement other reasonable practices to prevent the online sexual exploitation of children), or else lose liability protections from claims alleging violations of child sexual exploitation laws; and
- replaces statutory references to *child pornography* with *child sexual abuse material*.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Sep 30, 2020:** Introduced in House
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