

## HR 8636

### Protecting Americans from Dangerous Algorithms Act

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Science, Technology, Communications

**Introduced:** Oct 20, 2020

**Current Status:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce. (Oct 20, 2020)

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Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	Oct 20, 2020

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Science, Technology, Communications

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of Oct 20, 2020)

#### Protecting Americans from Dangerous Algorithms Act

This bill limits a social media company's immunity from liability if it promotes certain content on its platform.

Specifically, the bill removes this immunity from a social media company with more than 50 million monthly users if it utilizes an algorithm, model, or other computational process to amplify or recommend content to a user that is directly relevant to a claim involving (1) interference with civil rights, (2) neglect to prevent interference with civil rights, or (3) acts of international terrorism.

### Actions Timeline

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