

HR 8975

DETOUR Act

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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • **State:** DE • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	Dec 16, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Commerce

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Dec 16, 2020)

Deceptive Experiences To Online Users Reduction Act or the DETOUR Act

This bill prohibits large online operators from manipulating their products to mislead consumers into providing personal information or giving consent. The bill further prohibits these operators from (1) studying the behavioral patterns of subsets of users without first obtaining informed consent, (2) designing online products that lead to compulsive usage, or (3) designing products directed to children that lead to an increase in the use of products through which users interact with other users without parental consent.

The bill also requires large online operators conducting psychological or behavioral research to disclose certain information, discontinue such research if consent was improperly acquired, and establish an independent review board.

Actions Timeline

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