

HR 1091

Protect Our Universities Act of 2021

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • **State:** IN • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred To	Feb 18, 2021
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Feb 18, 2021
Intelligence (Permanent Select) Committee	House	Referred To	Feb 18, 2021
Science, Space, and Technology Committee	House	Referred To	Feb 18, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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This bill restricts student participation in sensitive research projects and prohibits the use of certain technologies for these projects.

The bill requires each student, prior to participating in a sensitive research project, to provide proof of citizenship to the institution of higher education (IHE) where the project is being carried out. Specifically, it prohibits students who are citizens of certain countries, including China and Russia, from participating in a project unless the student applies for and receives approval from the Office of the Director of National Intelligence.

It prohibits certain technologies developed by listed entities, including Huawei Technologies Company and ZTE Corporation, from being used to carry out sensitive research projects.

It also requires the Department of Education to establish a national security technology task force, which must maintain a list of sensitive research projects and provide guidance to the IHEs where these projects are being carried out.

Actions Timeline

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