

## HR 1673

To require the Federal Communications Commission to make the provision of Wi-Fi access on school buses eligible for E-rate support.

**Congress:** 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

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

**Introduced:** Mar 9, 2021

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Communications and Technology.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Communications and Technology. (Mar 10, 2021)

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### Sponsor

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

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Blunt Rochester, Lisa [D-DE-At Large]	D · DE		Mar 9, 2021
Rep. Cárdenas, Tony [D-CA-29]	D · CA		Mar 9, 2021
Rep. Leger Fernandez, Teresa [D-NM-3]	D · NM		Mar 9, 2021
Rep. McNerney, Jerry [D-CA-9]	D · CA		Mar 9, 2021
Rep. Tonko, Paul [D-NY-20]	D · NY		Mar 9, 2021
Rep. Veasey, Marc A. [D-TX-33]	D · TX		Mar 9, 2021
Rep. Eshoo, Anna G. [D-CA-18]	D · CA		Mar 10, 2021

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 10, 2021

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Science, Technology, Communications

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 1783	Related bill	<b>Apr 28, 2021:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Commodity Exchanges, Energy, and Credit.
117 S 745	Related bill	<b>Mar 15, 2021:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
117 S 724	Identical bill	<b>Mar 11, 2021:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

## Summary (as of Mar 9, 2021)

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This bill requires that the provision of Wi-Fi access on school buses be made eligible for support under the E-Rate program, which allots broadband discounts to schools and libraries.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Mar 10, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Communications and Technology.
- **Mar 9, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 9, 2021:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.