

HR 2671

SHIELD Act

Congress: 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Commerce

Introduced: Apr 20, 2021

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Consumer Protection and Commerce.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Consumer Protection and Commerce. (Apr 21, 2021)

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • **State:** ND • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 21, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Commerce

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Apr 20, 2021)

Solidifying Habitual and Institutional Explanations of Liability and Defenses Act or the SHIELD Act

This bill provides that in any enforcement action the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) must prove a violation of law and may not base the action solely on guidelines, policy statements, or similar guidance.

The bill provides that no guidelines, general statements of policy, or similar guidance issued by the FTC shall confer any rights or bind the FTC or any person, state, or locality to the approach recommended therein. Further, the bill authorizes a defendant in an enforcement action to offer any such guidelines, policy statements, or similar guidance as evidence of compliance with a provision of law that is enforced by the FTC.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 21, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Consumer Protection and Commerce.
- **Apr 20, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 20, 2021:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.