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Device Access for Every American Act

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Sep 20, 2021
Sen. Smith, Tina [D-MN]	D · MN		Sep 20, 2021
Sen. Lujan, Ben Ray [D-NM]	D · NM		Sep 28, 2021
Sen. Booker, Cory A. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Oct 19, 2021
Sen. Padilla, Alex [D-CA]	D · CA		Nov 2, 2021

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
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Bill	Relationship	Last Action
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## **Device Access for Every American Act**

This bill requires the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to establish a program that provides a \$400 voucher to a low-income individual for the purchase of a connected device (i.e., a desktop, laptop, or tablet computer) for which the FCC shall reimburse the retailer.

The FCC must (1) collaborate with retailers to ensure the wide acceptance of vouchers and the wide availability of covered devices, (2) establish a website that links to offerings by retailers of eligible connected devices, (3) establish a catalog of such offerings that is accessible to consumers without internet access, and (4) advertise the availability of the program.

## **Actions Timeline**

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