

HR 2731

Endless Frontier Act

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Rep. Ryan, Tim [D-OH-13]	D · OH		May 25, 2021
Rep. Vela, Filemon [D-TX-34]	D · TX		May 25, 2021
Rep. Morelle, Joseph D. [D-NY-25]	D · NY		Jun 8, 2021
Rep. Spanberger, Abigail Davis [D-VA-7]	D · VA		Jun 8, 2021
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Rep. Phillips, Dean [D-MN-3]	D · MN		Sep 14, 2021
Rep. Mrvan, Frank J. [D-IN-1]	D · IN		Nov 1, 2021

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 22, 2021
Science, Space, and Technology Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 21, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 1260	Identical bill	Jun 8, 2021: Passed Senate, under the order of 5/28/21, having achieved 60 votes in the affirmative, with an amendment by Yea-Nay Vote. 68 - 32. Record Vote Number: 226. (text: CR S4049-4499)
117 S 1240	Related bill	Apr 20, 2021: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

Summary (as of Apr 21, 2021)

Endless Frontier Act

This bill establishes a Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation (NSF) and establishes various programs and activities.

The goals of the directorate shall be, among other things, the strengthening of U.S. leadership in critical technologies through basic research in key technology focus areas, such as artificial intelligence, high performance computing, and advanced manufacturing, and the commercialization of those technologies to businesses in the United States.

The bill gives the NSF the authority to provide for the widest practicable and appropriate dissemination of information within the United States concerning the NSF's activities and the results of those activities.

The Office of Science and Technology Policy shall annually develop a strategy for the federal government to improve national competitiveness in science, research, and innovation to support the national security strategy.

The Department of Commerce shall (1) establish a supply chain resiliency and crisis response program to address supply chain gaps and vulnerabilities in critical industries, (2) designate regional technology hubs to facilitate activities that support regional economic development that diffuses innovation around the United States, and (3) award grants to facilitate development and implementation of comprehensive regional technology strategies.

The bill extends through FY2026 the Manufacturing USA Program and expands such program to support innovation and growth in domestic manufacturing.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 22, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Consumer Protection and Commerce.
- **Apr 21, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 21, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Research and Technology.
- **Apr 21, 2021:** Referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.