

HR 4032

Open RAN Outreach Act

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Allred, Colin Z. [D-TX-32]

Party: Democratic • **State:** TX • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (7 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Guthrie, Brett [R-KY-2]	R · KY		Jun 22, 2021
Rep. Hudson, Richard [R-NC-8]	R · NC		Jun 22, 2021
Rep. O'Halleran, Tom [D-AZ-1]	D · AZ		Jun 22, 2021
Rep. McNerney, Jerry [D-CA-9]	D · CA		Jun 30, 2021
Rep. Eshoo, Anna G. [D-CA-18]	D · CA		Jul 16, 2021
Rep. Soto, Darren [D-FL-9]	D · FL		Jul 16, 2021
Rep. Taylor, Van [R-TX-3]	R · TX		Oct 19, 2021

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	Oct 21, 2021
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Discharged from	Jul 20, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Science, Technology, Communications

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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This bill requires the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) to conduct outreach and provide technical assistance to small communications network providers to raise awareness of the benefits, uses, and challenges of Open RAN networks and other open network architectures. Open RAN networks are wireless networks that follow the Open Radio Access Network approach to standardization, promoting the use of open interface standards in the portion of the telecommunications network that connects wireless devices (e.g., mobile phones) to the core of the network.

The NTIA must also conduct outreach and provide assistance regarding participation in the Wireless Supply Chain Innovation Grant Program.

Actions Timeline

- **Oct 21, 2021:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
- **Oct 20, 2021:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H5702-5703)
- **Oct 20, 2021:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 410 - 17 (Roll no. 324).(text: CR 10/19/2021 H5656)
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- **Oct 20, 2021:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Oct 20, 2021:** The title of the measure was amended. Agreed to without objection.
- **Oct 19, 2021:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Energy and Commerce. H. Rept. 117-150.
- **Oct 19, 2021:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 110.
- **Oct 19, 2021:** Mr. Pallone moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Oct 19, 2021:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H5656-5657)
- **Oct 19, 2021:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 4032.
- **Oct 19, 2021:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **Jul 21, 2021:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jul 21, 2021:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Jul 20, 2021:** Subcommittee on Communications and Technology Discharged.
- **Jul 15, 2021:** Subcommittee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jun 23, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Communications and Technology.
- **Jun 22, 2021:** Introduced in House
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