

HR 4275

Ensuring Phone and Internet Access Through Lifeline and Affordable Connectivity Program Act of 2022

Congress: 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Science, Technology, Communications

Introduced: Jun 30, 2021

Current Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transp

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Luria, Elaine G. [D-VA-2]

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

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Katko, John [R-NY-24]	R · NY		Jun 30, 2021
Rep. Case, Ed [D-HI-1]	D · HI		Oct 8, 2021
Rep. Neguse, Joe [D-CO-2]	D · CO		Nov 2, 2021

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	Nov 18, 2022
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Reported by	Jun 15, 2022

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Science, Technology, Communications

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HRES 1464	Related bill	Nov 15, 2022: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

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This bill requires reporting on enrollment in the Lifeline program and the Affordable Connectivity Program.

The Lifeline program is designed to reduce the cost of communications services for low-income consumers, and the Affordable Connectivity Program subsidizes the cost of broadband internet for low-income households. Both programs allow participants to qualify for assistance based on their participation in particular federal assistance programs (e.g., Medicaid or Federal Public Housing Assistance).

The Federal Communications Commission must report on enrollment in both programs, including the number of participants who qualify through each of the particular federal assistance programs.

Additionally, the Government Accountability Office must report on outreach and publicity efforts to promote participation in the Lifeline program and the Affordable Connectivity Program.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 17, 2022:** Pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 1464, proceedings on H.R. 4275 are considered vacated.
- **Nov 17, 2022:** Passed/agreed to in House: Pursuant to section 2 of H. Res. 1464, and the motion offered by Mr. Carter (LA), the following bills passed under suspension of the rules: H.R. 4275, as amended; H.R. 5502, as amended; H.R. 5721, as amended; H.R. 6290, as amended; H.R. 7277, as amended; H.R. 7299, as amended; and H.R. 8416, as amended.
- **Nov 17, 2022:** Pursuant to section 2 of H. Res. 1464, and the motion offered by Mr. Carter (LA), the following bills passed under suspension of the rules: H.R. 4275, as amended; H.R. 5502, as amended; H.R. 5721, as amended; H.R. 6290, as amended; H.R. 7277, as amended; H.R. 7299, as amended; and H.R. 8416, as amended. (consideration: CR H8566-8574; text: CR H8566-8567)
- **Nov 17, 2022:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
- **Nov 14, 2022:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Energy and Commerce. H. Rept. 117-552.
- **Nov 14, 2022:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 396.
- **Nov 14, 2022:** Mr. Pallone moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Nov 14, 2022:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H8471-8472; text: CR H8471)
- **Nov 14, 2022:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 4275.
- **Nov 14, 2022:** 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 13, 2022:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jul 13, 2022:** Ordered to be Reported by the Yeas and Nays: 48 - 0.
- **Jun 15, 2022:** Subcommittee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jun 15, 2022:** Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee (Amended) by Voice Vote .
- **Jul 1, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Communications and Technology.
- **Jun 30, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 30, 2021:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.