

## S 4490

### Digital Citizenship and Media Literacy Act

**Congress:** 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Education

**Introduced:** Jun 23, 2022

**Current Status:** Referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. (Jul 28, 2022)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/senate-bill/4490>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]

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

### Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Bennet, Michael F. [D-CO]	D · CO		Jun 23, 2022
Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]	D · CA		Jun 23, 2022
Sen. Smith, Tina [D-MN]	D · MN		Jun 23, 2022
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		Jun 23, 2022

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jul 28, 2022
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Discharged From	Jul 28, 2022

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Education

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 8216	Related bill	<b>Jun 23, 2022:</b> Referred to the Committee on Education and Labor, 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.

## **Digital Citizenship and Media Literacy Act**

This bill directs the National Telecommunications and Information Administration to award grants to state and local educational agencies, public libraries, and qualified nonprofit organizations to develop and promote media literacy and digital citizenship education for elementary and secondary school students.

*Media literacy* includes the ability to access relevant information, analyze media content, evaluate the accuracy of information, and make educated decisions based on information obtained from media and digital sources.

*Digital citizenship* includes the ability to safely, responsibly, and ethically use communication technologies and to participate in the political, economic, social, and cultural aspects of life related to technology and the digital world.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jul 28, 2022:** Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions discharged by Unanimous Consent.
- **Jul 28, 2022:** Referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
- **Jun 23, 2022:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jun 23, 2022:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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