

HR 4588

Regional Innovation Act of 2021

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (6 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Baird, James R. [R-IN-4]	R · IN		Jul 20, 2021
Rep. Bowman, Jamaal [D-NY-16]	D · NY		Jul 20, 2021
Rep. Gonzalez, Anthony [R-OH-16]	R · OH		Jul 20, 2021
Rep. Khanna, Ro [D-CA-17]	D · CA		Jul 20, 2021
Rep. Stevens, Haley M. [D-MI-11]	D · MI		Jul 27, 2021
Rep. Morelle, Joseph D. [D-NY-25]	D · NY		Jan 28, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Science, Space, and Technology Committee	House	Reported By	Mar 1, 2022

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Science, Technology, Communications

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 1260	Related 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)

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This bill establishes a Regional Technology and Innovation Hub Program and a Regional Clean Energy Innovation Program.

The bill directs the Department of Commerce to establish the Regional Technology and Innovation Hub Program to

- encourage collaboration among local, state, and federal government entities, institutions of higher education, the private sector, nonprofit organizations, and others to promote inclusive regional innovation initiatives;
- designate eligible consortia as hubs and facilitate activities by such consortia in implementing their regional innovation strategies; and
- develop best practices for regional development and competitiveness in technology and innovation.

Additionally, the Department of Energy shall establish the Regional Clean Energy Innovation Program to

- enhance the economic, environmental, and energy security of the United States;
- accelerate the pace of innovation of clean energy technologies through regional clean energy innovation partnerships;
- improve the competitiveness of U.S. clean energy technology research, development, demonstration, and commercial application; and
- support the development of tools and technologies best suited for use in diverse regions of the United States, including in rural, tribal, and low-income communities.

Commerce shall carry out a program of data collection and analysis of technology and innovation sectors critical to realizing national objectives, including national security, economic prosperity, and social welfare.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 28, 2022:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. H. Rept. 117-254.
- **Feb 28, 2022:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 183.
- **Jul 27, 2021:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jul 27, 2021:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Jul 20, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 20, 2021:** Referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.