

## S 4704

### Patent Examination and Quality Improvement Act of 2022

**Congress:** 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Commerce

**Introduced:** Aug 2, 2022

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (Aug 2, 2022)

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Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Aug 2, 2022

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Commerce

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of Aug 2, 2022)

#### Patent Examination and Quality Improvement Act of 2022

This bill requires the Government Accountability Office to report to Congress on how to improve the patent examination process and the quality of issued patents. Within a year after the report is submitted to Congress, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office must develop guidance for its patent examiners that take into consideration the report's findings and recommendations.

### Actions Timeline

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