

HR 4793

Protecting Personal Data from Foreign Adversaries Act

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

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Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 29, 2021
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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 4792	Related bill	Sep 3, 2021: Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources.

Protecting Personal Data from Foreign Adversaries Act

This bill authorizes sanctions and other prohibitions relating to software that engage in user data theft on behalf of certain foreign countries or entities.

The President may regulate or prohibit transactions using software that engages in the theft or unauthorized transmission of user data and provides access to such data to (1) a communist country, (2) the Chinese Communist Party (CCP), (3) a foreign adversary, or (4) a state sponsor of terrorism.

The President may also impose visa- and property-blocking sanctions on developers and owners of software that makes unauthorized transmissions of user data to servers located in China that are accessible by China's government or the CCP.

The Department of State shall report to Congress a determination regarding whether WeChat or TikTok fall within certain regulations and prohibitions, including those provided under this bill. (WeChat and TikTok are software programs developed by China-based companies.)

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 1, 2022:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, and the Internet.
- **Nov 1, 2022:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship.
- **Jul 29, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 29, 2021:** Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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.