

## HR 4919

DO NOT Call Act of 2021

**Congress:** 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Commerce

**Introduced:** Aug 3, 2021

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Communications and Technology.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Communications and Technology. (Aug 4, 2021)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/house-bill/4919>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Ross, Deborah K. [D-NC-2]

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

### Cosponsors (4 total)

| Cosponsor                                     | Party / State | Role | Date Joined  |
|---|---------------|------|--------------|
| Rep. Kustoff, David [R-TN-8]                  | R · TN        |      | Aug 3, 2021  |
| Rep. Fleischmann, Charles J. "Chuck" [R-TN-3] | R · TN        |      | Jun 14, 2022 |
| Rep. Grothman, Glenn [R-WI-6]                 | R · WI        |      | Jun 14, 2022 |
| Rep. Wenstrup, Brad R. [R-OH-2]               | R · OH        |      | Jun 14, 2022 |

### Committee Activity

| Committee                     | Chamber | Activity    | Date        |
|-------------------------------|---------|-------------|-------------|
| Energy and Commerce Committee | House   | Referred to | Aug 4, 2021 |

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Commerce

### Related Bills

| Bill       | Relationship | Last Action   |
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| 117 S 1913 | Related bill | <b>May 27, 2021:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. |

## **Deter Obnoxious, Nefarious, and Outrageous Telephone Calls Act of 2021 or the DO NOT Call Act of 2021**

This bill increases and establishes criminal penalties, which include imprisonment for up to one year, for an intentional violation of the prohibition on automated telephone marketing and messaging. In addition, a person may be imprisoned for up to three years for an aggravated violation of such prohibition if the person (1) previously has been convicted of such an offense, (2) initiates a certain high volume of such calls during specified periods of time, (3) commits the offense in the furtherance of a felony, or (4) causes losses of at least \$5,000 during any one year period to one or more persons.

The bill also increases from \$10,000 to \$20,000 the fine for intentionally transmitting misleading or inaccurate caller identification information.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Aug 4, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Communications and Technology.
- **Aug 3, 2021:** Introduced in House
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