

## HR 4985

### Digital Defense Leadership Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Armed Forces and National Security

**Introduced:** Aug 6, 2021

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment. (Aug 9, 2021)

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## Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Vela, Filemon [D-TX-34]

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

## Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [R-PA-1]	R · PA		Aug 17, 2021
Rep. Peters, Scott H. [D-CA-52]	D · CA		Sep 3, 2021

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred To	Aug 6, 2021
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	Aug 6, 2021
Intelligence (Permanent Select) Committee	House	Referred To	Aug 6, 2021
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Referred To	Aug 6, 2021
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 9, 2021
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## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 3533	Related bill	Sep 30, 2021: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

## Digital Defense Leadership Act

This bill addresses and implements various programs and policies related to artificial intelligence and emerging technologies for national defense, including by requiring the President to transmit to Congress a national strategy relating to the global information domain and requiring the development of new federal and military career positions related to artificial intelligence and software development.

### Actions Timeline

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- **Aug 9, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation.
- **Aug 9, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.
- **Aug 9, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials.
- **Aug 9, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.
- **Aug 6, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Aug 6, 2021:** Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committees on Intelligence (Permanent Select), Foreign Affairs, Transportation and Infrastructure, and Oversight and Reform, 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.