

HR 547

DIRECT Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Agriculture and Food

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Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock and Foreign Agriculture.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock and Foreign Agriculture. (Feb 24, 2021)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Johnson, Dusty [R-SD-At Large]

Party: Republican • **State:** SD • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (14 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Cuellar, Henry [D-TX-28]	D · TX		Jan 28, 2021
Rep. Armstrong, Kelly [R-ND-At Large]	R · ND		Feb 5, 2021
Rep. Baird, James R. [R-IN-4]	R · IN		Feb 5, 2021
Rep. Hinson, Ashley [R-IA-1]	R · IA		Feb 5, 2021
Rep. Latta, Robert E. [R-OH-5]	R · OH		Feb 5, 2021
Rep. Smith, Adrian [R-NE-3]	R · NE		Feb 5, 2021
Rep. Case, Ed [D-HI-1]	D · HI		Feb 23, 2021
Rep. Emmer, Tom [R-MN-6]	R · MN		Feb 23, 2021
Rep. Fischbach, Michelle [R-MN-7]	R · MN		Feb 23, 2021
Rep. Crawford, Eric A. "Rick" [R-AR-1]	R · AR		Mar 11, 2021
Rep. Herrell, Yvette [R-NM-2]	R · NM		May 20, 2021
Rep. Harshbarger, Diana [R-TN-1]	R · TN		Aug 3, 2021
Rep. Valadao, David G. [R-CA-21]	R · CA		Aug 17, 2021
Rep. Higgins, Clay [R-LA-3]	R · LA		Nov 3, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 24, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Agriculture and Food

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jan 28, 2021)

Direct Interstate Retail Exemption for Certain Transactions Act or the DIRECT Act

This bill allows meat and poultry products inspected by State Meat and Poultry Inspection programs to be sold by retail stores, restaurants, or similar retail-type establishments over the internet and shipped by a carrier in commerce (other than for export to a foreign country), provided the meat and poultry products so inspected are shipped directly to household consumers and in normal retail quantities. (Under the inspection programs, the Department of Agriculture Food Safety and Inspection Service allows states that meet certain requirements to inspect meat and poultry. The state-inspected products are currently limited to intrastate commerce, unless a state opts into a separate Cooperative Interstate Shipment Program.)

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 24, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock and Foreign Agriculture.
- **Jan 28, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 28, 2021:** Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.