

## HR 7361

### National Weather Service Communications Improvement Act

**Congress:** 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Science, Technology, Communications

**Introduced:** Apr 1, 2022

**Current Status:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transp

**Latest Action:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. (Jul 28, 2022)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/house-bill/7361>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Feenstra, Randy [R-IA-4]

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

### Cosponsors (11 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Axne, Cynthia [D-IA-3]	D · IA		Apr 1, 2022
Rep. Gimenez, Carlos A. [R-FL-26]	R · FL		Apr 1, 2022
Rep. Hinson, Ashley [R-IA-1]	R · IA		Apr 1, 2022
Rep. Miller-Meeks, Mariannette [R-IA-2]	R · IA		Apr 1, 2022
Rep. Ellzey, Jake [R-TX-6]	R · TX		Apr 21, 2022
Rep. Meijer, Peter [R-MI-3]	R · MI		May 13, 2022
Rep. Bonamici, Suzanne [D-OR-1]	D · OR		May 17, 2022
Rep. Carey, Mike [R-OH-15]	R · OH		May 20, 2022
Rep. LaTurner, Jake [R-KS-2]	R · KS		May 20, 2022
Rep. Carbajal, Salud O. [D-CA-24]	D · CA		Jun 3, 2022
Rep. Gottheimer, Josh [D-NJ-5]	D · NJ		Jun 9, 2022

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jul 28, 2022
Science, Space, and Technology Committee	House	Reported By	Jul 14, 2022

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Science, Technology, Communications

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HRES 1254	Related bill	<b>Jul 26, 2022:</b> Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

## Summary (as of Jul 27, 2022)

### National Weather Service Communications Improvement Act

This bill directs the National Weather Service (NWS) to improve the instant messaging service used by NWS personnel by implementing a commercial, off-the-shelf communications solution hosted on the public cloud to serve as a replacement for the communications system in use, commonly referred to as NWSSChat.

### Actions Timeline

- **Jul 28, 2022:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
- **Jul 27, 2022:** Pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 1254, proceedings on H.R. 7361 are considered vacated.
- **Jul 27, 2022:** Passed/agreed to in House: Pursuant to section 5 of H. Res. 1254, and the motion offered by Mr. Kildee, the following bills passed under suspension of the rules: H.R. 623, as amended; H.R. 3952, as amended; H.R. 3962, as amended; H.R. 4551; H.R. 5313, as amended; H.R. 6933; H.R. 7132, as amended; H.R. 7361; H.R. 7569; H.R. 7624, as amended; H.R. 7733, as amended; and H.R. 7981, as amended.(consideration: CR H7197-7211, H7219-7220, H7223-7237; text: 07/26/2022 CR H7097)
- **Jul 27, 2022:** Pursuant to section 5 of H. Res. 1254, and the motion offered by Mr. Kildee, the following bills passed under suspension of the rules: H.R. 623, as amended; H.R. 3952, as amended; H.R. 3962, as amended; H.R. 4551; H.R. 5313, as amended; H.R. 6933; H.R. 7132, as amended; H.R. 7361; H.R. 7569; H.R. 7624, as amended; H.R. 7733, as amended; and H.R. 7981, as amended. (consideration: CR H7197-7211, H7219-7220, H7223-7237; text: 07/26/2022 CR H7097)
- **Jul 26, 2022:** Mr. Beyer moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Jul 26, 2022:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H7097-7098)
- **Jul 26, 2022:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 7361.
- **Jul 26, 2022:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **Jul 14, 2022:** Reported by the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. H. Rept. 117-412.
- **Jul 14, 2022:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 319.
- **May 17, 2022:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **May 17, 2022:** Ordered to be Reported by Voice Vote.
- **Apr 1, 2022:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 1, 2022:** Referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.