

HR 7624

Spectrum Innovation Act of 2022

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Doyle, Michael F. [D-PA-18]

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

Cosponsors (28 total)

| Cosponsor | Party / State | Role | Date Joined |
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| Rep. Bilirakis, Gus M. [R-FL-12] | R · FL | | Apr 28, 2022 |
| Rep. Carter, Earl L. "Buddy" [R-GA-1] | R · GA | | Apr 28, 2022 |
| Rep. DeGette, Diana [D-CO-1] | D · CO | | Apr 28, 2022 |
| Rep. Duncan, Jeff [R-SC-3] | R · SC | | Apr 28, 2022 |
| Rep. Eshoo, Anna G. [D-CA-18] | D · CA | | Apr 28, 2022 |
| Rep. Guthrie, Brett [R-KY-2] | R · KY | | Apr 28, 2022 |
| Rep. Hudson, Richard [R-NC-8] | R · NC | | Apr 28, 2022 |
| Rep. Kinzinger, Adam [R-IL-16] | R · IL | | Apr 28, 2022 |
| Rep. Kuster, Ann M. [D-NH-2] | D · NH | | Apr 28, 2022 |
| Rep. Latta, Robert E. [R-OH-5] | R · OH | | Apr 28, 2022 |
| Rep. Long, Billy [R-MO-7] | R · MO | | Apr 28, 2022 |
| Rep. Matsui, Doris O. [D-CA-6] | D · CA | | Apr 28, 2022 |
| Rep. McEachin, A. Donald [D-VA-4] | D · VA | | Apr 28, 2022 |
| Rep. McNerney, Jerry [D-CA-9] | D · CA | | Apr 28, 2022 |
| Rep. O'Halleran, Tom [D-AZ-1] | D · AZ | | Apr 28, 2022 |
| Rep. Schakowsky, Janice D. [D-IL-9] | D · IL | | Apr 28, 2022 |
| Rep. Schrier, Kim [D-WA-8] | D · WA | | Apr 28, 2022 |
| Rep. Upton, Fred [R-MI-6] | R · MI | | Apr 28, 2022 |
| Rep. Walberg, Tim [R-MI-7] | R · MI | | Apr 28, 2022 |
| Rep. Welch, Peter [D-VT-At Large] | D · VT | | Apr 28, 2022 |
| Rep. Joyce, John [R-PA-13] | R · PA | | May 10, 2022 |
| Rep. Pence, Greg [R-IN-6] | R · IN | | May 10, 2022 |
| Rep. Rush, Bobby L. [D-IL-1] | D · IL | | Jun 14, 2022 |
| Rep. Veasey, Marc A. [D-TX-33] | D · TX | | Jun 14, 2022 |
| Rep. Clarke, Yvette D. [D-NY-9] | D · NY | | Jun 15, 2022 |
| Rep. Tonko, Paul [D-NY-20] | D · NY | | Jun 15, 2022 |
| Rep. Balderson, Troy [R-OH-12] | R · OH | | Jul 15, 2022 |
| Rep. Cleaver, Emanuel [D-MO-5] | D · MO | | Jul 19, 2022 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
|---|---------|-------------|--------------|
| Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee | Senate | Referred To | Jul 28, 2022 |
| Energy and Commerce Committee | House | Reported by | Jun 15, 2022 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Science, Technology, Communications

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
|---------------|----------------|---|
| 117 HRES 1254 | Related bill | Jul 26, 2022: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection. |
| 117 HR 7783 | Related bill | Jun 15, 2022: Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee by the Yeas and Nays: 29 - 0 . |
| 117 S 4117 | Identical bill | Apr 28, 2022: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. |
| 117 HR 5378 | Related bill | Sep 28, 2021: Referred to the Subcommittee on Communications and Technology. |

Summary (as of Jul 27, 2022)

Spectrum Innovation Act of 2022

This bill addresses auctions of, and other matters related to, portions of the electromagnetic spectrum allocated for federal use. The bill also establishes grants for and otherwise modifies provisions concerning next generation 9-1-1 systems (i.e., interoperable Internet Protocol-based systems for receiving 9-1-1 calls).

The bill extends to March 31, 2024, the authority of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to auction and license electromagnetic spectrum. (Under current law, the authority expires on September 30, 2022.)

Additionally, the bill establishes a process for auctioning specified parts of the spectrum currently allocated for federal use. The Office of Management and Budget must transfer certain funding to federal entities for planning activities related to reallocating and auctioning spectrum while the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) and the Executive Office of the President must oversee the planning. The Department of Commerce must, informed by the planning, identify the spectrum to auction.

Further, the bill addresses shared use of spectrum bands by federal and nonfederal users. For example, the NTIA must implement an incumbent informing capability system to manage harmful interference when nonfederal users and incumbent federal entities share spectrum.

The bill also establishes the Public Safety and Secure Networks Fund and directs a portion of spectrum auction proceeds to the fund for, among other purposes, reimbursing telecommunications providers for replacing equipment that poses risks to national security and safety.

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. 7624 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 H7106-7110)
- **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 H7106-7110)
- **Jul 26, 2022:** Mr. Doyle, Michael F. moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Jul 26, 2022:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H7106-7112)
- **Jul 26, 2022:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 7624.
- **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 22, 2022:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Energy and Commerce. H. Rept. 117-429.
- **Jul 22, 2022:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 335.
- **Jul 13, 2022:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jul 13, 2022:** Ordered to be Reported in the Nature of a Substitute (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 52 - 0.
- **Jun 15, 2022:** Subcommittee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jun 15, 2022:** Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 29 - 0 .
- **Apr 29, 2022:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Communications and Technology.
- **Apr 28, 2022:** Introduced in House
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