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INFORM Consumers Act

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Policy Area: Commerce

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Sponsor

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Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Jan 12, 2022
Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]	D · MN		May 4, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 23, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 5502	Related bill	Nov 17, 2022: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

Integrity, Notification, and Fairness in Online Retail Marketplaces for Consumers Act or the INFORM Consumers Act

This bill requires online marketplaces to collect, verify, and disclose certain information from high-volume, third-party sellers.

High-volume, third-party sellers include online marketplace participants that conduct 200 or more transactions resulting in total revenues of \$5,000 or more during a continuous 12-month period. Online marketplaces must acquire these sellers' (1) bank account numbers, (2) government-issued identification, (3) tax identification numbers, and (4) contact information. Online marketplaces must verify this information and annually certify any changes to it.

Further, online marketplaces must make certain information (e.g., sellers' names and contact information) available to consumers through the sellers' product listings and provide consumers with methods to report electronically and by telephone any suspicious activity on the marketplace.

The bill provides the Federal Trade Commission with the authority to enforce these requirements.

Actions Timeline

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