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No Free TRIPS Act

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Sponsor

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 6, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 HR 3858	Identical bill	Dec 17, 2024: Referred to the Subcommittee on Trade.

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This bill prohibits the U.S. government from negotiating or concluding any withdrawal from or modification to the Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS Agreement) without explicit authorization from Congress.

The TRIPS Agreement is one of several international agreements that led to the creation of the World Trade Organization (WTO). In October 2020, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, several WTO members proposed a waiver of some TRIPS obligations, including obligations related to national patent laws.

## Actions Timeline

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