

HR 3858

No Free TRIPS Act

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Policy Area: Commerce

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Trade. (Dec 17, 2024)

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Dec 17, 2024

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Commerce

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 S 1834	Identical bill	Jun 6, 2023: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

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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

- **Dec 17, 2024:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Trade.
- **Jun 6, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 6, 2023:** Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.