

HR 4755

Privacy Enhancing Technology Research Act

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 30, 2024
Science, Space, and Technology Committee	House	Reported By	Sep 21, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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This bill requires certain federal agencies to support research and development of technology that better protects individuals' privacy with respect to data collection (i.e., privacy enhancing technologies).

Specifically, the National Science Foundation must support research on de-identification methods, algorithmic tools, free software libraries, and other technology that reduces privacy risks from data processing. The bill also specifically incorporates this type of technology into the foundation's computer and network security research grants.

Additionally, the Networking and Information Technology Research and Development Program (a network of 24 federal agencies focused on research and development of advanced information technologies in computing, networking, and software) must coordinate with the foundation, the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), the Federal Trade Commission, and other federal agencies to accelerate the development and implementation of this type of technology.

NIST must also engage with public and private stakeholders to support the development of voluntary standards for integrating this type of technology into data collection, sharing, and analytical practices.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 30, 2024:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
- **Apr 29, 2024:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H2652-2654)
- **Apr 29, 2024:** Mr. Lucas moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Apr 29, 2024:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 4755.
- **Apr 29, 2024:** 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.
- **Apr 29, 2024:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H2688-2689)
- **Apr 29, 2024:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 354 - 36 (Roll no. 154). (text: CR H2652-2653)
- **Apr 29, 2024:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 354 - 36 (Roll no. 154). (text: CR H2652-2653)
- **Apr 29, 2024:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Sep 21, 2023:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. H. Rept. 118-210.
- **Sep 21, 2023:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 170.
- **Jul 27, 2023:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held
- **Jul 27, 2023:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 35 - 0.
- **Jul 19, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 19, 2023:** Referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.