

HR 964

Democracy in Design Act

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 10, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 S 366	Identical bill	Feb 9, 2023: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

Summary (as of Feb 9, 2023)

Democracy in Design Act

This bill requires the General Services Administration (GSA) to ensure that the design of federal public buildings (e.g., agency office buildings) adheres to the principles of the report titled *Guiding Principles for Federal Architecture*.

The report was published by the Ad Hoc Committee on Federal Office Space on June 1, 1962, and serves as the policy directive for the GSA's Design Excellence Program within its Public Buildings Service. Among other principles, the report prescribes against the development of an official architectural style for government buildings and encourages the government to avoid excessive uniformity in building design.

The GSA must issue regulations to implement the amendment made by this bill and to establish minimum standards for the design of public buildings.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 10, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management.
- **Feb 9, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 9, 2023:** Referred to the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.