

S 146

TAKE IT DOWN Act

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**Chamber:** Senate  
**Policy Area:** Science, Technology, Communications  
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Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Cruz, Ted [R-TX]  
**Party:** Republican • **State:** TX • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (21 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Barrasso, John [R-WY]	R · WY		Jan 16, 2025
Sen. Blackburn, Marsha [R-TN]	R · TN		Jan 16, 2025
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Jan 16, 2025
Sen. Booker, Cory A. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Jan 16, 2025
Sen. Budd, Ted [R-NC]	R · NC		Jan 16, 2025
Sen. Capito, Shelley Moore [R-WV]	R · WV		Jan 16, 2025
Sen. Cassidy, Bill [R-LA]	R · LA		Jan 16, 2025
Sen. Curtis, John R. [R-UT]	R · UT		Jan 16, 2025
Sen. Heinrich, Martin [D-NM]	D · NM		Jan 16, 2025
Sen. Hickenlooper, John W. [D-CO]	D · CO		Jan 16, 2025
Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]	D · MN		Jan 16, 2025
Sen. Lummis, Cynthia M. [R-WY]	R · WY		Jan 16, 2025
Sen. Peters, Gary C. [D-MI]	D · MI		Jan 16, 2025
Sen. Rosen, Jacky [D-NV]	D · NV		Jan 16, 2025
Sen. Sheehy, Tim [R-MT]	R · MT		Jan 16, 2025
Sen. Warnock, Raphael G. [D-GA]	D · GA		Jan 16, 2025
Sen. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS]	R · MS		Jan 16, 2025
Sen. Young, Todd [R-IN]	R · IN		Jan 16, 2025
Sen. Schiff, Adam B. [D-CA]	D · CA		Jan 21, 2025
Sen. Cortez Masto, Catherine [D-NV]	D · NV		Feb 5, 2025
Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH]	D · NH		Feb 6, 2025

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Discharged From	Feb 13, 2025

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Science, Technology, Communications

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
119 HR 633	Identical bill	<b>Apr 28, 2025:</b> Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 59.
119 HR 1768	Related bill	<b>Mar 3, 2025:</b> Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, the Budget, the Judiciary, and Education and Workforce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

Summary (as of Jan 16, 2025)

Tools to Address Known Exploitation by Immobilizing Technological Deepfakes on Websites and Networks Act or the TAKE IT DOWN Act

This bill generally prohibits the nonconsensual online publication of intimate visual depictions of individuals, both authentic and computer-generated, and requires certain online platforms to promptly remove such depictions upon receiving notice of their existence.

Specifically, the bill prohibits the online publication of intimate visual depictions of

- an adult subject where publication is intended to cause or does cause harm to the subject, and where the depiction was published without the subject’s consent or, in the case of an authentic depiction, was created or obtained under circumstances where the adult had a reasonable expectation of privacy; or
- a minor subject where publication is intended to abuse or harass the minor or to arouse or gratify the sexual desire of any person.

Violators are subject to mandatory restitution and criminal penalties, including prison, a fine, or both. Threats to publish intimate visual depictions of a subject are similarly prohibited under the bill and subject to criminal penalties.

Separately, covered platforms must establish a process through which subjects of intimate visual depictions may notify the platform of the existence of, and request removal of, an intimate visual depiction including the subject that was published without the subject’s consent. Covered platforms must remove such depictions within 48 hours of notification. Under the bill, *covered platforms* are defined as public websites, online services, or applications that primarily provide a forum for user-generated content.

## Actions Timeline

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