

Suspend the Rules and Pass the Bill, HR. 2331, with An Amendment

(The amendment strikes all after the enacting clause and inserts a new text)

115TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2331

To require a new or updated Federal website that is intended for use by the public to be mobile friendly, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 3, 2017

Ms. KELLY of Illinois (for herself and Mr. PALLONE) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Connected Government
5 Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. FEDERAL WEBSITES REQUIRED TO BE MOBILE**
2 **FRIENDLY.**

3 (a) AMENDMENT.—Subchapter II of chapter 35 of
4 title 44, United States Code, is amended by adding at the
5 end the following new section:

6 **“§ 3559. Federal websites required to be mobile**
7 **friendly.**

8 “(a) IN GENERAL.—If, on or after the date that is
9 180 days after the date of the enactment of this section,
10 an agency creates a website that is intended for use by
11 the public or conducts a redesign of an existing legacy
12 website that is intended for use by the public, the agency
13 shall ensure to the greatest extent practicable that the
14 website is mobile friendly.

15 “(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

16 “(1) AGENCY.—The term ‘agency’ has the
17 meaning given that term in section 551 of title 5.

18 “(2) MOBILE FRIENDLY.—The term ‘mobile
19 friendly’ means, with respect to a website, that the
20 website is configured in such a way that the website
21 may be navigated, viewed, and accessed on a
22 smartphone, tablet computer, or similar mobile de-
23 vice.”.

24 (b) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—
25 The table of sections at the beginning of chapter 35 of

1 title 44, United States Code, is amended by adding after
2 the item related to section 3558 the following new item:

“3559. Federal websites required to be mobile friendly”.

3 (c) REPORT BY OMB AND GSA REQUIRED.—Not
4 later than 18 months after the date of the enactment of
5 this Act, the Director of the Office of Management and
6 Budget, in consultation with the Administrator of General
7 Services, shall make publicly available and submit to Con-
8 gress a report that—

9 (1) describes the implementation of the require-
10 ment described under section 3559 of title 44,
11 United States Code, as added by subsection (a); and

12 (2) assesses the compliance of each agency with
13 such requirement.