

# Legislative/Governmental Affairs update

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# Legislative Activity

## 117th Congress

- *Stopping Harmful Offers on Platforms by Screening Against Fakes in E-commerce Act (SHOP SAFE) (H.R. 3429/ S. 1843)*
  - This bill seeks to combat the online sale of counterfeit products that impact health or safety by amending the Trademark Act of 1946 to make e-commerce platforms contributorily liable for the sale of counterfeit goods if they fail to adopt best practices
- **U.S. Competition and Innovation Act (S.1260)**
  - Passed the Senate on May 28 by a vote of 68-32
  - Section 6204 requires the USPTO to collect demographic information on inventors
  - Section 71021 directs the U.S. government to provide technical, legal or other support to U.S. persons in addressing IP infringement cases regarding China
  - Section 71023 enhances the authority of CBP (U.S. Customs and Border Protection) to share information with respect to merchandise suspected of violating IP rights with rights holders

# Congressional Activity

## 117th Congress

- The SHOP SAFE Act
  - **Hearing:** On May 27, the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property and the Internet held a hearing entitled, *The SHOP SAFE Act: Stemming the Rising Tide of Unsafe Counterfeit Products Online*
  - **Roundtables:** On June 28, July 1 & 14, House Judiciary Committee staff led roundtables on the SHOP SAFE Act
- Fiscal Year 2022 Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill
  - House Appropriations Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice and Science held a markup on July 12, 2021
  - Approved by voice vote



# Thank you!

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