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# H. R. 4632

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, 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

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## A BILL

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to apply to all Federal agencies.

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 “Practice What You  
5       Preach Privacy Protection Promotion Act”.

6       **SEC. 2. ONLINE PRIVACY PROTECTIONS.**

7       (a) IN GENERAL.—The Federal Trade Commission  
8       has begun a proceeding to issue an enforcement policy  
9       statement to clarify the application of existing Federal

1 Trade Commission rules and guides to electronic media,  
2 including e-mail, CD-ROMs, and the Internet, to provide  
3 protection for persons subject to information gathering  
4 through the electronic media. (16 CFR Ch 1). The Com-  
5 mission began the proceeding by stating proposed guide-  
6 lines for the application of such rules and guides which  
7 require that—

8 (1) individuals contacted by electronic media be  
9 given notice by the entity using the media of the en-  
10 tity's information practice;

11 (2) such individuals be given a choice with re-  
12 spect to the use and dissemination of information  
13 collected from and about them;

14 (3) such individuals be given access to informa-  
15 tion about them collected and stored by the using  
16 entity; and

17 (4) the entity take appropriate steps to ensure  
18 the security and integrity of any information col-  
19 lected.

20 (b) FEDERAL COMPLIANCE.—To the extent appro-  
21 priate, all Federal agencies using electronic media to carry  
22 out its activities shall take such action as may be nec-  
23 essary to comply with Federal Trade Commission rules  
24 and guidelines as made applicable to electronic media  
25 under the guidelines under the enforcement policy state-

1 ment proceeding referred to in subsection (a). Such action  
2 shall be completed before the Federal Trade Commission  
3 issues a final enforcement policy statement applicable to  
4 the private sector.

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