

BillTracking.org

The official record of US and EU lawmaking — live, source-linked, free

ABOUT THE PROJECT

What is BillTracking?

Two automated feeds that post every step of lawmaking in the US Congress (@USBillTracker) and the European Union (@EUBillTracker) — committee reports, floor votes, trilogue deals, signatures — generated directly from the official record and linked to it. No commentary, no paywall. Because every claim traces to a public source, the feeds can be audited by anyone. This assignment does exactly that.

A CLASSROOM EXERCISE IN PRIMARY SOURCES

The Verification Exercise

- 1 Pick a post**
Take one update from either feed: a committee report, a cloture vote, a trilogue deal, a signature. Recent posts are best — the record is fresh.
- 2 Pull the record**
US: find the bill on congress.gov and open its “Actions” tab. EU: open the OEIL procedure file cited at the bottom of the post (oeil.europarl.europa.eu). These are the same sources the software reads.
- 3 Audit every claim**
Compare line by line: number and title, sponsor or rapporteur, committees, date, stage label, any vote tally, the “what’s next”. Does the post say exactly what the record supports — no more, no less?
- 4 Report what you find**
Write up your audit either way — a clean audit is a result. Found a discrepancy? Email accuracy@billtracking.org with a link to the post and to the official record. Every report is read and answered.

Credit, if you want it. Confirmed corrections are fixed visibly and listed in the public corrections log at billtracking.org — credited to you by name or X handle if you opt in. A credited correction to a public record is citable: it belongs on a CV or a graduate application. Group audits are welcome too — findings can be credited to a course as a whole.



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