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## Russia passes law forcing manufacturers to install Russian-made software | The Verge

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Russia has passed new legislation that will require manufacturers of smartphones, computers, and smart TVs to pre-install Russian-made software on their devices. The bill was approved <u>earlier this year</u> by the lower house of the Russian parliament, and officially signed into law on Monday by President Vladimir Putin, <u>reports Reuters</u>.

Legislators claim that the law, which will come into effect on July 1 2020, will help Russian tech companies be more competitive with their western counterparts, and will offer consumers the "right to choose" domestically-produced alternatives.

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