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The Video Game Rating Act of 1994



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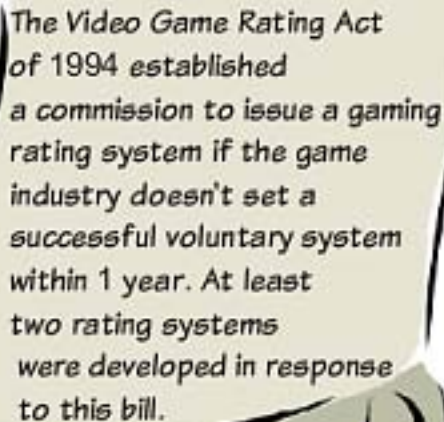
In the month of Feb 3, 1994
the Video Game Rating Act
of 1994
was introduced.

I am the Senator of
Connecticut, Joseph Lieberman.

I sponsor the bill.





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The Video Game Rating Act of 1994 established a commission to issue a gaming rating system if the game industry doesn't set a successful voluntary system within 1 year. At least two rating systems were developed in response to this bill.

This bill was introduced because members of society felt that kids at young ages shouldn't be playing violent video games.



Parents were for the bill if they knew about it.

Children were not.



THESE ARE SOME OF THE GAMES THAT CONTRIBUTED TO THE WRITING OF THE VIDEO GAME RATING ACT OF 1994.



Night Trap



Mortal Kombat



Doom

0%

BULL
SHEL
ROCK
42

Since the game industry responded to the bill, it was never reported by the Committee and was never voted by the Senates.



If the bill was never introduced, the game industry would have never created a rating system.

I would have grown up playing violent video games and become like that guy.

Who me?



Now today people are restricted to buy some games until they become of age, or have a parent present.

I would like to buy Killing Spree.

VGame Store

It's rated M for mature.
Sorry you need to be 17 or have a parent to buy that game.

That sucks.

Game Store

Now lets see how life would be if the bill was passed.



I would have been a law if I passed all of the steps.



Introduced

Referred by Committee

Reported by Committee

Senate Vote

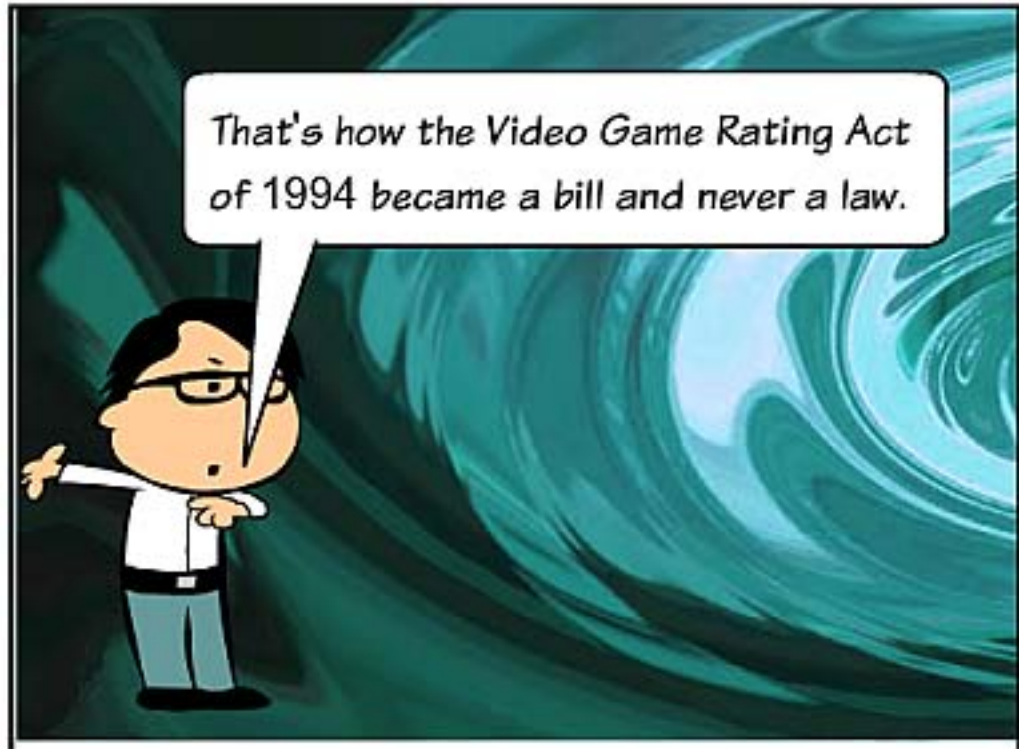
House Vote




More games would be restricted.

That's how the Video Game Rating Act of 1994 became a bill and never a law.

It's not fair that the games still get ratings.





Get him!

I didn't make the bill,
I'm just telling the story.

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