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S 1563

Agricultural Bioterrorism Countermeasures Act of 2001

Congress: 107 (2001–2003, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Agriculture and Food

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Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry. (Oct 17, 2001)

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • State: TX • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]	D · CA		Oct 17, 2001
Sen. Miller, Zell [D-GA]	D · GA		Oct 17, 2001
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Sen. Helms, Jesse [R-NC]	$R \cdot NC$		Nov 13, 2001

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry Committee	Senate	Referred To	Oct 17, 2001

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Agriculture and Food

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Oct 17, 2001)

Agricultural Bioterrorism Countermeasures Act of 2001 - Directs the Secretary of Agriculture, with respect to bioterrorism countermeasures, to: (1) expand Agricultural Research Service programs to protect the domestic food supply; (2) establish a Consortium for Countermeasures Against Agricultural Bioterrorism comprised of institutions of higher education in partnership with Federal agencies to develop long-term biosecurity programs; (3) enhance the National Research Initiative of the Competitive Grants Program of the Award Grants Program of the Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service by awarding grants for bioterrorism protective measures; and (4) expand the capacities of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service and the Food Safety Inspection Service.

Authorizes appropriations.

Actions Timeline

- Oct 17, 2001: Introduced in Senate
- Oct 17, 2001: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S10796-10797)
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