

## HR 5420

Port Protection Act of 2002

**Congress:** 107 (2001–2003, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Foreign Trade and International Finance

**Introduced:** Sep 19, 2002

**Current Status:** Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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. (Sep 19, 2002)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Nadler, Jerrold [D-NY-8]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** NY • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors

*No cosponsors are listed for this bill.*

### Committee Activity

| Committee                                   | Chamber | Activity    | Date         |
|---|---------|-------------|--------------|
| Transportation and Infrastructure Committee | House   | Referred To | Sep 19, 2002 |
| Ways and Means Committee                    | House   | Referred To | Sep 19, 2002 |

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Foreign Trade and International Finance

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## Summary (as of Sep 19, 2002)

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Port Protection Act of 2002 - Directs the Secretary of Homeland Security to require the inspection, contents verification, and sealing by personnel of the Department of Homeland Security, at ports or airports outside the United States, of any cargo containers destined for the United States. States that the Customs Service shall not allow the entry of any noncontainerized cargo by any means other than a vessel or airplane until it has verified that it does not contain a chemical, biological, or nuclear weapon.

Directs the Commandant of the Coast Guard to inspect, at least 200 miles from the United States, any cargo vessel carrying cargo destined for the United States and verify that it does not have a chemical, biological, or nuclear weapon.

Requires the Secretary to deny entry into the United States to cargo vessels that: (1) are carrying cargo not in compliance with this Act; or (2) are not inspected by the Commandant of the Coast Guard in accordance with this Act or that fail such an inspection.

## Actions Timeline

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