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SAFE Border Act of 2003

Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)
Chamber: Senate
Policy Area: Immigration
Introduced: Jun 26, 2003
Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (Jun 26, 2003)
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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Boxer, Barbara [D-CA]
Party: Democratic • **State:** CA • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 27, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Immigration

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jun 26, 2003)

Secure and Fast Entry at the Border Act of 2003 or the SAFE Border Act of 2003 - Amends the Immigration and Nationality Act to make the Port Passenger Accelerated Service System (PortPASS) permanent.
Provides for minimum two-year entry approvals under the Secure Electronic Network for Travelers Rapid Inspection (SENTRI) program along the United States-Mexico border. Precludes a person convicted of a felony or under active criminal investigation from program participation.

Expresses the sense of Congress that: (1) the Department of Homeland Security must ensure the permanence of PortPASS in its transition from the Department of Justice to the Department; (2) all land PortPASS programs should utilize interoperable technology to offer participants increased commuter lane access; (3) the Secretary of Homeland Security should increase SENTRI program staff, training, and resources; and (4) the Secretary should create a pre-inspection low-risk commuter lane for pedestrian land border crossers.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 26, 2003:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jun 26, 2003:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S8757-8758)
- **Jun 26, 2003:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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