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S 2271

USA PATRIOT Act Additional Reauthorizing Amendments Act of 2006

Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

Introduced: Feb 10, 2006

Current Status: Became Public Law No: 109-178.

Latest Action: Became Public Law No: 109-178. (Mar 9, 2006)

Law: 109-178 (Enacted Mar 9, 2006)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Sununu, John E. [R-NH]

Party: Republican • State: NH • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Craig, Larry E. [R-ID]	$R \cdot ID$		Feb 10, 2006
Sen. Hagel, Chuck [R-NE]	$R \cdot NE$		Feb 10, 2006
Sen. Murkowski, Lisa [R-AK]	$R \cdot AK$		Feb 10, 2006

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Financial Services Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 1, 2006
Intelligence (Permanent Select) Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 1, 2006
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 1, 2006

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

(This measure has not been amended since it was passed by the Senate on March 1, 2006. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

USA PATRIOT Act Additional Reauthorizing Amendments Act of 2006 - Amends the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978 (FISA) to allow a person receiving a production order (an order from the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) or his designee (Director) to produce any tangible thing, such as a book, document, or record) to challenge its legality by filing a petition with a pool of three district court judges established by the Chief Justice of the United States for such purpose. Permits the filing of a petition, no sooner than one year after issuance of the production order, challenging any accompanying nondisclosure order (an order prohibiting the person receiving the production order from disclosing that the FBI sought information).

Requires the presiding judge of the pool to immediately assign a judge to conduct an initial review of a petition. Requires such judge, within 72 hours of the assignment, to make an initial petition review. Requires the judge to immediately deny such petition if it is frivolous and affirm the production or nondisclosure order.

Permits any order setting aside a nondisclosure order to be stayed pending review upon request of the government. Permits setting aside a nondisclosure order if there is no reason to believe that national security would be endangered. Establishes as conclusive a certification by the Director or the Attorney General that the setting aside of a nondisclosure order may endanger national security or interfere with diplomatic relations, unless the certification was found to be made in bad faith.

Requires upholding a production order unless it is found to be unlawful. Requires immediate compliance with the production order if the judge does not set aside such order.

Grants the Supreme Court, upon writ of certiorari, jurisdiction to review a decision. Requires any judicial review to be as expeditious as possible and all petitions to be filed under seal. Requires any court proceedings, upon request from the government, to be ex parte and in camera.

Amends federal criminal law, the Fair Credit Reporting Act, the Right to Financial Privacy Act, and the National Security Act of 1947 to require a person making a disclosure to identify to the Director or requesting official the person to whom such disclosure will be made or was made prior to the request, but permits withholding the identity of an attorney to whom a disclosure was or will be made to obtain legal advice or assistance with respect to the request.

Considers a library not to be a wire or electronic service communication provider for purposes of granting national security letters, unless the library provides "electronic communication service."

Makes this Act effective immediately upon enactment.

Actions Timeline

- Mar 9, 2006: Signed by President.
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- Mar 9, 2006: Became Public Law No: 109-178.
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- Mar 8, 2006: Presented to President.
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- Mar 7, 2006: Mr. Sensenbrenner moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- Mar 7, 2006: Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H581-593)
- Mar 7, 2006: DEBATE The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on S. 2271.
- Mar 7, 2006: At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- Mar 7, 2006: Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H599)
- Mar 7, 2006: Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 280 138 (Roll no. 20).(text: CR H581-582)
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- Mar 7, 2006: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- Mar 7, 2006: Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- Mar 7, 2006: Cleared for White House.
- Mar 1, 2006: Considered by Senate. (consideration: CR S1557-1561)
- Mar 1, 2006: Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Yea-Nay. 95 4. Record Vote Number: 25.(text: CR S1559-1560)
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- Mar 1, 2006: Received in the House.
- Mar 1, 2006: Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- Mar 1, 2006: Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Intelligence (Permanent Select), and Financial Services, 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.
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- Feb 28, 2006: Considered by Senate. (consideration: CR S1515-1521, S1522-1528)
- Feb 28, 2006: Cloture on the measure invoked in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 69 30. Record Vote Number: 23. (consideration: CR S1522-1523; text: CR S1522)
- Feb 27, 2006: Considered by Senate. (consideration: CR S1495-1498; text of measure as introduced: CR S1496)
- Feb 16, 2006: Motion to proceed to measure considered in Senate. (consideration: CR S1377-1379)
- Feb 16, 2006: Cloture on the motion to proceed invoked in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 96 3. Record Vote Number: 22. (consideration: CR S1379; text: CR S1379)
- Feb 16, 2006: Measure laid before Senate by motion. (consideration: CR S1379-1380)
- Feb 16, 2006: Cloture motion on the measure presented in Senate. (consideration: CR S1379; text: CR S1379)
- Feb 15, 2006: Motion to proceed to measure considered in Senate. (consideration: CR S1325-1344)
- Feb 14, 2006: Motion to proceed to consideration of measure made in Senate. (consideration: CR S1169-1170)
- Feb 14, 2006: Cloture motion on the motion to proceed presented in Senate. (consideration: CR S1169; text: CR S1169)
- Feb 13, 2006: Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 360.

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