

S 2355

Border Tunnel Prevention Act

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • State: CA • Chamber: Senate

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Sen. Boxer, Barbara [D-CA]	D · CA		Mar 2, 2006
Sen. Cantwell, Maria [D-WA]	D · WA		Mar 2, 2006
Sen. Domenici, Pete V. [R-NM]	R · NM		Mar 2, 2006
Sen. Frist, William H. [R-TN]	R · TN		Mar 2, 2006
Sen. Hutchison, Kay Bailey [R-TX]	R · TX		Mar 2, 2006
Sen. Kyl, Jon [R-AZ]	R · AZ		Mar 2, 2006
Sen. McCain, John [R-AZ]	R · AZ		Mar 2, 2006
Sen. Coleman, Norm [R-MN]	R · MN		Mar 6, 2006
Sen. Talent, Jim [R-MO]	R · MO		Mar 6, 2006
Sen. Burns, Conrad R. [R-MT]	R · MT		Mar 9, 2006

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 2, 2006

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 S 3948	Related bill	Sep 27, 2006: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR S10291)
109 HR 4830	Identical bill	Sep 21, 2006: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
109 S 2652	Related bill	Apr 26, 2006: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
109 HR 4816	Related bill	Feb 28, 2006: Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.

Summary (as of Mar 2, 2006)

Border Tunnel Prevention Act - Amends the federal criminal code to prohibit the construction or financing of an unauthorized tunnel or subterranean passage that crosses the international border between the United States and another country. Imposes a 20-year prison term for such offense.

Imposes a 10-year prison term on any person who recklessly permits the construction or use of such a tunnel or passage on land that such person owns or controls.

Doubles penalties for persons who use such a tunnel or passage to unlawfully smuggle an alien, illegal goods, controlled substances, weapons of mass destruction, or members of a terrorist organization.

Subjects to forfeiture any property involved in, or traceable to, the construction or financing of such a tunnel or passage.

Directs the U.S. Sentencing Commission to promulgate or amend sentencing guidelines to provide for increased penalties for persons convicted of criminal offenses related to the construction or financing of such a tunnel or passage.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 2, 2006:** Introduced in Senate
- **Mar 2, 2006:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S1646)
- **Mar 2, 2006:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR S1646-1647)