

HR 4830

Border Tunnel Prevention Act of 2006

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Rep. Gordon, Bart [D-TN-6]	D · TN		Mar 30, 2006
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Rep. Campbell, John [R-CA-48]	R · CA		Sep 19, 2006
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Rep. Drake, Thelma D. [R-VA-2]	R · VA		Sep 20, 2006
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Rep. Musgrave, Marilyn N. [R-CO-4]	R · CO		Sep 20, 2006
Rep. Sessions, Pete [R-TX-32]	R · TX		Sep 20, 2006
Rep. Biggert, Judy [R-IL-13]	R · IL		Sep 21, 2006

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 1, 2006
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Sep 21, 2006

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 S 2339	Text similarities	Sep 29, 2006: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S10576-10578)
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 HRES 1018	Related bill	Sep 21, 2006: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
109 S 2652	Related bill	Apr 26, 2006: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
109 HR 4839	Text similarities	Mar 2, 2006: Referred to the Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation.
109 S 2355	Identical bill	Mar 2, 2006: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR S1646-1647)
109 HR 4816	Related bill	Feb 28, 2006: Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.

Summary (as of Sep 21, 2006)

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Border Tunnel Prevention Act of 2006 - 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

- **Sep 21, 2006:** Considered under the provisions of rule H. Res. 1018. (consideration: CR H6862-6869)
- **Sep 21, 2006:** Rule provides for consideration of H.R. 4830, H.R. 6094 and H.R. 6095. In each case, the bill shall be considered as read; no amendments shall be in order; and the previous question shall be considered as ordered to final passage, without intervening motion, except one motion to recommit.
- **Sep 21, 2006:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on H.R. 4830.
- **Sep 21, 2006:** The previous question was ordered pursuant to the rule. (consideration: CR H6869)
- **Sep 21, 2006:** POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of the debate on H.R. 4830, the Chair put the question on adoption of the bill and by voice vote, announced that the ayes had prevailed. Mr. Sensenbrenner demanded the yeas and nays and the chair postponed further proceedings on the question of adoption until later in the legislative day.
- **Sep 21, 2006:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H6894-6895)
- **Sep 21, 2006:** Passed/agreed to in House: On passage Passed by the Yeas and Nays: 422 - 0 (Roll no. 469).(text: CR H6862-6863)
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- **Sep 20, 2006:** Rules Committee Resolution H. Res. 1018 Reported to House. Rule provides for consideration of H.R. 4830, H.R. 6094 and H.R. 6095. In each case, the bill shall be considered as read; no amendments shall be in order; and the previous question shall be considered as ordered to final passage, without intervening motion, except one motion to recommit.
- **Mar 1, 2006:** Introduced in House
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- **Mar 1, 2006:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.