

## HR 5412

Border Health Security Act of 2006

**Congress:** 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** May 17, 2006

**Current Status:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on International

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on International Relations, 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. (May 17, 2006)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/109th-congress/house-bill/5412>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Reyes, Silvestre [D-TX-16]

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

### Cosponsors (6 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Doggett, Lloyd [D-TX-25]	D · TX		May 17, 2006
Rep. Filner, Bob [D-CA-51]	D · CA		May 17, 2006
Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-7]	D · AZ		May 17, 2006
Rep. Kolbe, Jim [R-AZ-8]	R · AZ		May 17, 2006
Rep. Ortiz, Solomon P. [D-TX-27]	D · TX		May 17, 2006
Rep. Hinojosa, Ruben [D-TX-15]	D · TX		May 25, 2006

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	May 17, 2006
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	May 17, 2006

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Health

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 S 2825	Identical bill	<b>May 17, 2006:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (text of measure as introduced: CR S4699-4700)

Border Health Security Act of 2006 - Requires the Secretary of Health and Human Services (the Secretary), acting through the U.S. members of the United States-Mexico Border Health Commission, to award grants to improve border residents' health.

Requires the Secretary to award grants to states, local or tribal governments, or public health entities for bioterrorism preparedness in the border area.

Authorizes appropriations to carry out the United States-Mexico Border Health Commission Act.

Allows the Secretary to coordinate with the Secretary of Homeland Security in establishing a health alert system that: (1) alerts clinicians and public health officials of emerging disease clusters and syndromes along the border area; and (2) is alerted to signs of health threats or bioterrorism along the border area.

Requires the Secretary to enter into a contract with the Institute of Medicine for the study of binational public health infrastructure and health insurance efforts.

Authorizes any member or staff of the Commission to provide advice or recommendations to Congress concerning issues that are considered by the Commission.

### **Actions Timeline**

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