

HR 6061

Secure Fence Act of 2006

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Immigration

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Rep. Herger, Wally [R-CA-2]	R · CA		Sep 13, 2006
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Rep. Linder, John [R-GA-7]	R · GA		Sep 13, 2006
Rep. Marchant, Kenny [R-TX-24]	R · TX		Sep 13, 2006
Rep. McCaul, Michael T. [R-TX-10]	R · TX		Sep 13, 2006
Rep. Miller, Gary G. [R-CA-42]	R · CA		Sep 13, 2006
Rep. Porter, Jon C. [R-NV-3]	R · NV		Sep 13, 2006
Rep. Pryce, Deborah [R-OH-15]	R · OH		Sep 13, 2006
Rep. Putnam, Adam H. [R-FL-12]	R · FL		Sep 13, 2006
Rep. Rogers, Mike D. [R-AL-3]	R · AL		Sep 13, 2006
Rep. Rohrabacher, Dana [R-CA-46]	R · CA		Sep 13, 2006
Rep. Royce, Edward R. [R-CA-40]	R · CA		Sep 13, 2006
Rep. Smith, Lamar [R-TX-21]	R · TX		Sep 13, 2006
Rep. Souder, Mark E. [R-IN-3]	R · IN		Sep 13, 2006
Rep. Tancredo, Thomas G. [R-CO-6]	R · CO		Sep 13, 2006
Rep. Taylor, Charles H. [R-NC-11]	R · NC		Sep 13, 2006
Rep. Aderholt, Robert B. [R-AL-4]	R · AL		Sep 14, 2006
Rep. Biggert, Judy [R-IL-13]	R · IL		Sep 14, 2006
Rep. Calvert, Ken [R-CA-44]	R · CA		Sep 14, 2006
Rep. Campbell, John [R-CA-48]	R · CA		Sep 14, 2006
Rep. Davis, Geoff [R-KY-4]	R · KY		Sep 14, 2006
Rep. Foxx, Virginia [R-NC-5]	R · NC		Sep 14, 2006
Rep. Hensarling, Jeb [R-TX-5]	R · TX		Sep 14, 2006
Rep. Keller, Ric [R-FL-8]	R · FL		Sep 14, 2006
Rep. King, Steve [R-IA-5]	R · IA		Sep 14, 2006
Rep. McCotter, Thaddeus G. [R-MI-11]	R · MI		Sep 14, 2006
Rep. Miller, Jeff [R-FL-1]	R · FL		Sep 14, 2006
Rep. Murphy, Tim [R-PA-18]	R · PA		Sep 14, 2006
Rep. Norwood, Charles W. [R-GA-9]	R · GA		Sep 14, 2006
Rep. Price, Tom [R-GA-6]	R · GA		Sep 14, 2006
Rep. Rogers, Mike J. [R-MI-8]	R · MI		Sep 14, 2006

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Sessions, Pete [R-TX-32]	R · TX		Sep 14, 2006

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 14, 2006

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Immigration

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HRES 1002	Procedurally related	Sep 14, 2006: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

(This measure has not been amended since it was passed by the House on September 14, 2006. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Secure Fence Act of 2006 - Directs the Secretary of Homeland Security, within 18 months of enactment of this Act, to take appropriate actions to achieve operational control over U.S. international land and maritime borders, including: (1) systematic border surveillance through more effective use of personnel and technology, such as unmanned aerial vehicles, ground-based sensors, satellites, radar coverage, and cameras; and (2) physical infrastructure enhancements to prevent unlawful border entry and facilitate border access by U.S. Customs and Border Protection, such as additional checkpoints, all weather access roads, and vehicle barriers.

Defines "operational control" as the prevention of all unlawful U.S. entries, including entries by terrorists, other unlawful aliens, instruments of terrorism, narcotics, and other contraband.

Directs the Secretary to report annually to Congress on border control progress.

Amends the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 to direct the Secretary to provide at least two layers of reinforced fencing, installation of additional physical barriers, roads, lighting, cameras, and sensors extending: (1) from ten miles west of the Tecate, California, port of entry to ten miles east of the Tecate, California, port of entry; (2) from ten miles west of the Calexico, California, port of entry to five miles east of the Douglas, Arizona, port of entry (requiring installation of an interlocking surveillance camera system by May 30, 2007, and fence completion by May 30, 2008); (3) from five miles west of the Columbus, New Mexico, port of entry to ten miles east of El Paso, Texas; (4) from five miles northwest of the Del Rio, Texas, port of entry to five miles southeast of the Eagle Pass, Texas, port of entry; and (5) 15 miles northwest of the Laredo, Texas, port of entry to the Brownsville, Texas, port of entry (requiring fence completion from 15 miles northwest of the Laredo, Texas, port of entry to 15 southeast of the Laredo, Texas, port of entry by December 31, 2008).

States that if an area has an elevation grade exceeding 10% the Secretary may use other means to secure such area, including surveillance and barrier tools.

Directs the Secretary to: (1) study and report to the House Committee on Homeland Security and the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs on the necessity, feasibility, and economic impact of constructing a state-of-the-art infrastructure security system along the U.S. northern international land and maritime border; and (2) evaluate and report to such Committees on U.S. Customs and Border Protection authority (and possible expansion of authority) to stop fleeing vehicles that enter the United States illegally, including related training, technology, and equipment reviews.

Actions Timeline

- **Oct 26, 2006:** Signed by President.
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- **Oct 26, 2006:** Became Public Law No: 109-367.
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- **Oct 23, 2006:** Presented to President.
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- **Sep 29, 2006:** Considered by Senate. (consideration: CR S10608-10616)
- **Sep 29, 2006:** Motion by Senator Frist to commit to Senate Committee on the Judiciary withdrawn in Senate by Unanimous Consent.
- **Sep 29, 2006:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Yea-Nay Vote. 80 - 19. Record Vote Number: 262.
- **Sep 29, 2006:** Passed Senate without amendment by Yea-Nay Vote. 80 - 19. Record Vote Number: 262.
- **Sep 28, 2006:** Cloture invoked in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 71 - 28. Record Vote Number: 260. (consideration: CR S10431-10432; text: CR S10431)
- **Sep 28, 2006:** Considered by Senate. (consideration: CR S10432-10433)
- **Sep 26, 2006:** Considered by Senate. (consideration: CR S10136-10152)
- **Sep 25, 2006:** Considered by Senate. (consideration: CR S10097-10098)
- **Sep 25, 2006:** Cloture motion on the bill presented in Senate. (consideration: CR S10097-10098; text: CR S10098)
- **Sep 25, 2006:** Motion by Senator Frist to commit to Senate Committee on the Judiciary to report back forthwith the following amendment (SA 5038) made in Senate. (consideration: CR S10098)
- **Sep 21, 2006:** Motion to proceed to measure considered in Senate. (consideration: CR S9863-9886)
- **Sep 21, 2006:** Motion to proceed to consideration of measure agreed to in Senate by Voice Vote.
- **Sep 21, 2006:** Measure laid before Senate by motion. (consideration: CR S9886)
- **Sep 20, 2006:** Motion to proceed to measure considered in Senate. (consideration: CR S9739-9746)
- **Sep 20, 2006:** Cloture on the motion to proceed invoked in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 94 - 0. Record Vote Number: 252. (consideration: CR S9745-9746; text: CR S9745)
- **Sep 18, 2006:** Cloture motion on the motion to proceed presented in Senate. (consideration: CR S9685-9686; text: CR S9685)
- **Sep 15, 2006:** Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 615.
- **Sep 14, 2006:** Rule H. Res. 1002 passed House.
- **Sep 14, 2006:** Considered under the provisions of rule H. Res. 1002. (consideration: CR H6581-6596; text: CR H6581-6582)
- **Sep 14, 2006:** Rule provides for consideration of H.R. 6061 with 1 hour of general debate. Previous question shall be considered as ordered without intervening motions except motion to recommit with or without instructions. Measure will be considered read. Bill is closed to amendments. The amendment printed in the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution shall be considered as adopted.
- **Sep 14, 2006:** GENERAL DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of general debate on H.R. 6061.
- **Sep 14, 2006:** Mr. Thompson (MS) moved to recommit with instructions to Homeland Security. (consideration: CR H6593-6595; text: CR H6593-6594)
- **Sep 14, 2006:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Thompson (MS) motion to recommit with instructions. The instructions contained in the motion seek to require the bill to be reported back to the House with an amendment which inserts a complete new text.
- **Sep 14, 2006:** The previous question on the motion to recommit with instructions was ordered pursuant to the rule. (consideration: CR H6595)
- **Sep 14, 2006:** On motion to recommit with instructions Failed by the Yeas and Nays: 193 - 224 (Roll no. 445).
- **Sep 14, 2006:** Passed/agreed to in House: On passage Passed by recorded vote: 283 - 138, 1 Present (Roll no. 446).
- **Sep 14, 2006:** On passage Passed by recorded vote: 283 - 138, 1 Present (Roll no. 446).
- **Sep 14, 2006:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Sep 14, 2006:** Received in the Senate. Read the first time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under Read the First Time.
- **Sep 13, 2006:** Introduced in House

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- **Sep 13, 2006:** Referred to the House Committee on Homeland Security.
- **Sep 13, 2006:** Rules Committee Resolution H. Res. 1002 Reported to House. Rule provides for consideration of H.R. 6061 with 1 hour of general debate. Previous question shall be considered as ordered without intervening motions except motion to recommit with or without instructions. Measure will be considered read. Bill is closed to amendments. The amendment printed in the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution shall be considered as adopted.