

HR 2352

School Safety Enhancements Act of 2008

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 17, 2007
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 17, 2007
Judiciary Committee	House	Reported by	May 13, 2008

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 S 1217	Related bill	Apr 25, 2007: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

(This measure has not been amended since it was reported to the House on August 1, 2008. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

School Safety Enhancements Act of 2008 - **Title I: Elementary and Secondary Education Safety Enhancements** - Amends the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to allow matching grants to states, localities, and Indian tribes for public elementary and secondary school security to be used for: (1) installing and using surveillance equipment in schools; (2) developing and implementing safety measures to protect students in the event of a terrorist attack or other hazardous condition or situation; and (3) establishing hotlines or tiplines for reporting potentially dangerous students and situations, including hazardous conditions.

Increases the maximum federal share of program costs from 50% to 80%.

Requires the Director of the Bureau of Justice Assistance and the Secretary of Education to establish an interagency task force to develop and promulgate advisory school safety guidelines.

Requires grant applicants to include in their applications a report, signed by their chief education officer and attorney general or other chief law enforcement executive, certifying that the security measures to be funded: (1) will effectively improve school safety; (2) fit into a comprehensive approach to preventing school violence; and (3) are individualized to the needs of each school at which they are to be implemented.

Authorizes appropriations for such grant program for FY2009-FY2010.

Title II: Higher Education Security Enhancement - Amends the Higher Education Act of 1965 to require each institution of higher education participating in any program under title IV (Student Assistance) of that Act to: (1) conduct an annual campus safety assessment in consultation with local law enforcement officials; and (2) develop and implement a campus emergency response plan that addresses a comprehensive set of emergency situations, including natural disasters, active shooter situations, and terrorism.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 22, 2008:** Received in the Senate.
- **Sep 17, 2008:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H8368-8369)
- **Sep 17, 2008:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Sep 17, 2008:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR 9/15/2008 H8083-8084)
- **Sep 17, 2008:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR 9/15/2008 H8083-8084)
- **Sep 15, 2008:** Mr. Scott (VA) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Sep 15, 2008:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H8083-8085)
- **Sep 15, 2008:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 2352.
- **Sep 15, 2008:** At the conclusion of debate, the chair put the question on the motion to suspend the rules. Mr. Issa objected to the vote on the grounds that a quorum was not present. Further proceedings on the motion were postponed. The point of no quorum was withdrawn.
- **Sep 12, 2008:** Committee on Education and Labor discharged.
- **Sep 12, 2008:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 543.
- **Aug 1, 2008:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Judiciary. H. Rept. 110-821, Part I.
- **Aug 1, 2008:** House Committee on Education and Labor Granted an extension for further consideration ending not later than Sept. 12, 2008.
- **Jun 11, 2008:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jun 11, 2008:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **May 14, 2008:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **May 13, 2008:** Subcommittee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **May 13, 2008:** Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee by Voice Vote .
- **May 6, 2008:** Subcommittee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Apr 17, 2008:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Jul 17, 2007:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education.
- **Jul 17, 2007:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Higher Education, Lifelong Learning, and Competitiveness.
- **Jun 4, 2007:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- **May 16, 2007:** Introduced in House
- **May 16, 2007:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Education and Labor, 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.