

HR 2490

To require the Secretary of Homeland Security to conduct a program in the maritime environment for the mobile biometric identification of suspected individuals, including terrorists, to enhance border security.

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jul 30, 2008
Homeland Security Committee	House	Discharged from	Jun 26, 2008

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Emergency Management

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jul 29, 2008)

(This measure has not been amended since it was reported to the House on July 10, 2008. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Directs the Secretary of Homeland Security to: (1) conduct, through the Coast Guard in the maritime environment, a program for the mobile biometric identification of suspected individuals, including terrorists, to enhance border security and for other purposes; (2) ensure such program's coordination with other Department of Homeland Security (DHS) biometric identification programs; and (3) report to the appropriate congressional committees respecting the cost of expanding the Coast Guard's biometric identification capabilities for use by other Coast Guard and DHS vessels and units.

Defines "biometric identification" as the use of fingerprint and digital photography images.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 30, 2008:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
- **Jul 29, 2008:** Mr. Thompson (MS) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Jul 29, 2008:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H7182-7183)
- **Jul 29, 2008:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 2490.
- **Jul 29, 2008:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **Jul 29, 2008:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H7267-7268)
- **Jul 29, 2008:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 394 - 3, 1 Present (Roll no. 534).(text: CR H7182)
- **Jul 29, 2008:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 394 - 3, 1 Present (Roll no. 534). (text: CR H7182)
- **Jul 29, 2008:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jul 29, 2008:** The title of the measure was amended. Agreed to without objection.
- **Jul 10, 2008:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Homeland Security. H. Rept. 110-751.
- **Jul 10, 2008:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 477.
- **Jun 26, 2008:** Subcommittee on Border, Maritime, and Global Counterterrorism Discharged.
- **Jun 26, 2008:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jun 26, 2008:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Jun 7, 2007:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Border, Maritime, and Global Counterterrorism.
- **May 24, 2007:** Introduced in House
- **May 24, 2007:** Referred to the House Committee on Homeland Security.