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Security Assistance Act of 2008 Congress: 110 (2007–2009, Ended)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Dodd, Christopher J. [D-CT]

Party: Democratic • State: CT • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Relations Committee	Senate	Reported Original Measure	Sep 24, 2008

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

International Affairs

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Security Assistance Act of 2008 - Authorizes FY2009-FY2010 appropriations for military and related assistance.

Revises provisions regarding: (1) arms export controls; (2) nuclear cooperation; and (3) specified reporting provisions.

Naval Vessel Transfer Act of 2008 - Authorizes the transfer of specified naval vessels to Pakistan, Greece, Chile, and Peru.

Authorizes FY2009-FY2010 appropriations for nonproliferation, anti-terrorism, demining, and related programs.

Authorizes FY2009 appropriations for international organizations.

Directs the Secretary of State (Secretary) to establish a global pathogen security program.

Nuclear Safeguards and Supply Act of 2008 - Authorizes additional appropriations for the refurbishment or possible replacement of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) Safeguards Analytical Laboratory.

Authorizes the Secretary to: (1) pursue a program to strengthen technical safeguards research and development and improve interagency coordination on safeguards technology; and (2) develop a safeguards cadre program.

Authorizes the President to create mechanisms to provide a reliable supply of nuclear fuel to those countries and groups of countries that adhere to policies to prevent nuclear weapons proliferation and that decide to forgo a national uranium enrichment program and spent nuclear fuel reprocessing facilities.

Global Pathogen Surveillance Act of 2008 - Prohibits assistance to an eligible developing country that does not: (1) permit World Health Organization (WHO) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) personnel to investigate infectious disease outbreaks within its borders; and (2) provide pathogen surveillance data to appropriate U.S. and international agencies and organizations.

Prohibits any participating foreign national from having unsupervised access to agents that may be used in a biological weapon.

Establishes a public health education and training fellowship program.

Directs the Secretary to support in-country training courses for public health personnel.

Authorizes the President to furnish assistance to eligible developing countries for public health laboratory equipment and supplies.

Directs CDC and the Department of Defense (DOD) to increase the number of laboratory personnel in eligible developing countries that conduct infectious disease research expand such laboratories' operations.

Authorizes: (1) the President to provide assistance to enhance the surveillance and reporting capabilities for WHO and existing regional and international health networks, and develop new health networks; and (2) the Secretary of Health and Human Services to establish new country or regional foreign epidemiology training programs in eligible developing countries.

Authorizes FY2009-FY2010 appropriations.

International Space Station Payments Act of 2008 - Exempts from the prohibition on extraordinary payments U.S. government payments made between January 1, 2012, and reentry into Earth's atmosphere of the International Space Station (ISS) at its end of life for work or services necessary to meet U.S. obligations under the Agreement Concerning Cooperation on the Civil International Space Station. (Extraordinary payments are, generally, those made for work on the ISS which the Russian government pledged to provide at its expense and those for work on the ISS, or for the purchase of goods or services relating to human space flight, that are not required to be made under the terms of a contract or other agreement that was in effect on January 1, 1999, as the terms were in effect on that date.)

Specifies that such exemption shall not permit payments for certain cargo or crew transportation or rescue services.

Actions Timeline

- Sep 24, 2008: Introduced in Senate
- Sep 24, 2008: Committee on Foreign Relations. Original measure reported to Senate by Senator Dodd. With written report No. 110-496.
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