

## HR 5460

To amend the Detainee Treatment Act of 2005 and title 18, United States Code, to include waterboarding in the definition of cruel, inhuman, or degrading treatment or punishment and in the definition of torture, and for other purposes.

**Congress:** 110 (2007–2009, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Crime and Law Enforcement

**Introduced:** Feb 14, 2008

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security. (Mar 17, 2008)

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### Sponsor

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

### Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred To	Feb 14, 2008
Intelligence (Permanent Select) Committee	House	Referred To	Feb 14, 2008
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 17, 2008

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of Feb 14, 2008)

Amends the Detainee Treatment Act of 2005 and the federal criminal code to include waterboarding (simulated drowning) within the definitions of cruel, inhuman, or degrading treatment or punishment, and torture.

Includes individuals under the custody or physical control of the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) within the protection against cruel, inhuman, or degrading treatment or punishment by the government.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Mar 17, 2008:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- **Feb 14, 2008:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 14, 2008:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Intelligence (Permanent Select), and Armed Services, 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.