

HR 5531

Next Generation Radiation Screening Act of 2008

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. King, Peter T. [R-NY-3]

Party: Republican • State: NY • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. McCaul, Michael T. [R-TX-10]	R · TX		Mar 5, 2008

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Aug 1, 2008
Homeland Security Committee	House	Discharged from	Jun 26, 2008

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Emergency Management

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Next Generation Radiation Screening Act of 2008 - Amends the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to require: (1) the Director of the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office and the Commissioner of Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to enter into an agreement regarding the minimum required functionality for the deployment of Advanced Spectroscopic Portal monitors (ASP) by CBP; and (2) the Secretary of Homeland Security to provide Congress with the signed memorandum of understanding between the Office and CBP.

Directs the Secretary to develop quantitative metrics that demonstrate any significant increased operational effectiveness of deploying ASP in primary and secondary screening sites. Requires such metrics to include: (1) a quantitative definition of "significant increase in operational effectiveness"; (2) all relevant threat materials; (3) all relevant masking scenarios; and (4) cost-benefit analysis in accordance with the Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board Generally Accepted Accounting Principles.

Permits the Secretary, in determining whether to certify that ASP shows a significant increase in operational effectiveness, to consider: (1) relevant reports on ASP from the Government Accountability Office (GAO); and (2) assessments of ASP by the Independent Review Team led by the Homeland Security Institute in consultation with the National Archives.

Authorizes appropriations to the Director for FY2009 and for each subsequent fiscal year for the Securing the Cities Initiative.

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### **Actions Timeline**

- **Jul 31, 2008:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
- **Jul 30, 2008:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H7596)
- **Jul 30, 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 7/29/2008 H7180-7181)
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- **Jul 30, 2008:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jul 30, 2008:** The title of the measure was amended. Agreed to without objection.
- **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 H7180-7182)
- **Jul 29, 2008:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 5531.
- **Jul 29, 2008:** At the conclusion of debate, the chair put the question on the motion to suspend the rules. Mr. Bilirakis 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.
- **Jul 22, 2008:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Homeland Security. H. Rept. 110-764.
- **Jul 22, 2008:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 487.
- **Jun 26, 2008:** Subcommittee on Emerging Threats, Cybersecurity, and Science and Technology Discharged.
- **Jun 26, 2008:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jun 26, 2008:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Mar 18, 2008:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Emerging Threats, Cybersecurity, and Science and Technology.
- **Mar 5, 2008:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 5, 2008:** Referred to the House Committee on Homeland Security.