

## HR 5662

Putting Our Resources Towards Security (PORTS) Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Emergency Management

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Nov 19, 2008
Homeland Security Committee	House	Hearings By (subcommittee)	May 22, 2008
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 1, 2008
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 4, 2008

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Emergency Management

## Related Bills

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*No related bills are listed.*

## Summary (as of Mar 31, 2008)

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Putting Our Resources Towards Security (PORTS) Act - Directs the Secretary of Homeland Security, between fiscal years 2009 and 2013, to increase the number of full-time Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officers, agriculture specialists, and border security support personnel for U.S. ports of entry by not fewer than 5,000, 1,200, and 350, respectively, above the number of such personnel for which funds were made available during FY2008.

Authorizes appropriations to the Administrator of the General Services Administration (GSA) for each of FY2009-FY2013 to make improvements to existing U.S. ports of entry to improve border security and for other purposes. Directs the Administrator to give priority to ports determined to be in most need of repair in accordance with required infrastructure assessment studies.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Nov 19, 2008:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Horticulture and Organic Agriculture.
- **May 22, 2008:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Apr 28, 2008:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Border, Maritime, and Global Counterterrorism.
- **Apr 4, 2008:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Trade.
- **Apr 1, 2008:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation.
- **Mar 31, 2008:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 31, 2008:** Referred to the Committee on Homeland Security, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, Agriculture, and Transportation and Infrastructure, 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.