

HR 6576

Reducing Information Control Designations Act

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Sponsor

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Aug 1, 2008
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Reported By	Jul 30, 2008

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 HR 6575	Related bill	Sep 10, 2008: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

Reducing Information Control Designations Act - (Sec. 3) Requires each federal agency to reduce and minimize its use of information control designations on information that is not classified. Defines such designations to mean information dissemination controls that are not defined by federal statute or executive order relating to the classification of national security information and that are used to manage, direct, or route information or to control the accessibility of information, regardless of its form or format.

Requires the Archivist of the United States to promulgate regulations to address: (1) standards for the use of the such designations to maximize public access to information; (2) the process for removing such designations; (3) procedures for identifying and tracking designated information; (4) provisions to minimize the use of such designations to prevent misuse and interference with competition in the private sector; and (5) a process for individuals and the public to challenge the use of such designations.

Requires the head of each federal agency to: (1) implement the regulations promulgated by the Archivist to encourage the sharing of information; and (2) ensure that such designations do not determine public disclosure requirements under the Freedom of Information Act.

(Sec. 4) Requires the Inspector General of each federal agency to randomly audit and report to Congress on unclassified information with such designations to determine compliance.

Directs the Archivist to: (1) require personal identifiers and agency affiliations of individuals applying such designations; (2) require training of such individuals; and (3) implement a program to detail federal employees to the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) to train such employees. Terminates such detailee program on December 31, 2012.

(Sec. 7) Requires promulgation of final regulations and implementation of the requirements of this Act within 24 months.

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:** Reported by the Committee on Oversight and Government. H. Rept. 110-810.
- **Jul 30, 2008:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 524.
- **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 H7214-7216)
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- **Jul 30, 2008:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jul 29, 2008:** Mr. Davis (IL) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Jul 29, 2008:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 6576.
- **Jul 29, 2008:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H7214-7218)
- **Jul 29, 2008:** At the conclusion of debate, the chair put the question on the motion to suspend the rules. Ms. Foxx 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 23, 2008:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 23, 2008:** Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.
- **Jul 23, 2008:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jul 23, 2008:** Ordered to be Reported by Voice Vote.

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