

HR 121

Smarter Funding for All of America's Homeland Security Act of 2007

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 14, 2009
Homeland Security Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 5, 2009
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 9, 2009
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 6, 2009

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Emergency Management

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 HR 1187	Related bill	Mar 2, 2009: Referred to the Subcommittee on Emergency Communications, Preparedness, and Response.

Smarter Funding for All of America's Homeland Security Act of 2007 [sic] - Amends the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to establish a State and Regional First Responder Grant Program under which the Secretary may make grants to states and eligible regional entities on the basis of the threat to a state or region's population and critical infrastructure, as determined by the Under Secretary for Information Analysis and Infrastructure Protection.

Requires the Secretary, acting through the Under Secretary, to evaluate and prioritize grant applications, considering factors such as threats to the population, specific economic sectors, major communications nodes and transportation systems, specific elements of the food supply, the water and energy supplies, civic infrastructure and emergency response capabilities, and specific structures of symbolic national importance.

Bars the use of grant funds to supplant state or local funds that would otherwise be available for homeland security or first responder projects.

Directs the Secretary to: (1) establish the Advisory Council on First Responders, which shall report to the Secretary through the head of the Office of State and Local Government Coordination; and (2) revise the Homeland Security Advisory System to require that any designation of a threat level or other warning be accompanied by a designation of the geographic regions and economic sectors to which it applies.

Directs the Under Secretary for Science and Technology to conduct a study of whether there is a need to assign additional bands of frequencies of electromagnetic spectrum to assist first responders.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 9, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- **Feb 5, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Emergency Communications, Preparedness, and Response.
- **Jan 14, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jan 6, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 6, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management.
- **Jan 6, 2009:** Referred to House Homeland Security
- **Jan 6, 2009:** Referred to the Committee on Homeland Security, and in addition to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure, the Judiciary, and Energy and Commerce, 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.
- **Jan 6, 2009:** Referred to House Transportation and Infrastructure
- **Jan 6, 2009:** Referred to House Judiciary
- **Jan 6, 2009:** Referred to House Energy and Commerce