

S 2114

Berry Amendment Extension Act

Congress: 112 (2011–2013, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Emergency Management

Introduced: Feb 15, 2012

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. (Feb 15, 2012)

Official Text: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/112th-congress/senate-bill/2114>

Sponsor

Name: Sen. Rockefeller, John D., IV [D-WV]

Party: Democratic • **State:** WV • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (2 total)

| Cosponsor | Party / State | Role | Date Joined |
|-------------------------------|---------------|------|--------------|
| Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME] | R · ME | | Feb 15, 2012 |
| Sen. Tester, Jon [D-MT] | D · MT | | Feb 15, 2012 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
|--|---------|-------------|--------------|
| Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee | Senate | Referred To | Feb 15, 2012 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Emergency Management

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
|------------|--------------|--|
| 112 HR 679 | Related bill | Feb 17, 2011: Referred to the Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Management. |

Berry Amendment Extension Act - Amends the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to prohibit the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) from procuring specified covered items directly related to national security interests (including such items as clothing, footwear, tents, protective equipment, sleep systems, or natural fiber products) that are not grown, reprocessed, reused, or produced in the United States, except to the extent satisfactory quality and sufficient quantity of any such product cannot be procured as and when needed or in a time period that meets U.S. national security needs. Makes this provision inapplicable to covered items that are or that include non-available articles. Allows the Secretary to accept delivery of covered items that contain non-compliant fibers if the total value of non-compliant fibers contained in the end item does not exceed 10% of its total purchase price.

Makes additional exceptions for: (1) procurements by vessels in foreign waters, (2) emergency procurements, and (3) purchases for amounts not greater than the simplified acquisition threshold. Requires the Secretary to post a notification on the Internet website maintained by the General Services Administration (GSA) known as FedBizOpps and to notify specified congressional committees that an exception has been applied not later than seven days after the award of the contract.

Directs the Secretary to ensure that: (1) each member of DHS's acquisition workforce who regularly participates in textile acquisition receives training on this Act's requirements, and (2) any such training includes comprehensive information on such requirements.

Requires this Act to be applied in a manner consistent with U.S. obligations under international agreements.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 15, 2012:** Introduced in Senate
- **Feb 15, 2012:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.