

## S 2224

A bill to require the President to report to Congress on issues related to Syria.

**Congress:** 112 (2011–2013, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** International Affairs

**Introduced:** Mar 22, 2012

**Current Status:** Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs. (May 10, 2012)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Corker, Bob [R-TN]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** TN • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Webb, Jim [D-VA]	D · VA		Mar 22, 2012
Sen. Cornyn, John [R-TX]	R · TX		May 8, 2012

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	May 10, 2012
Foreign Relations Committee	Senate	Reported By	Apr 26, 2012

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

International Affairs

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 HR 4310	Related bill	Jan 2, 2013: Became Public Law No: 112-239.
112 S 3254	Related bill	Dec 12, 2012: Pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 829, papers are returned to the Senate.

Directs the President to submit a report to Congress, within 15 days after enactment of this Act, describing all known Syrian opposition groups, both independent and state-sponsored and inside and outside of Syria, operating to oppose the government of Syria.

Requires such report to include: (1) assessments of their composition and military, financial, and political capacities; and (2) an assessment of the relationship between each opposition group and the Muslim Brotherhood, al Qaeda, Hezbollah, Hamas, and other groups that have promoted an agenda that would negatively impact U.S. national interests.

Directs the President to submit to Congress, within 30 days after enactment of this Act, an assessment of the size and security of conventional and non-conventional weapons stockpiles in Syria which shall describe: (1) who has or may have access to such stockpiles; (2) the sources and types of weapons flowing from outside Syria to both government and opposition forces; and (3) a plan to prevent the proliferation of conventional, biological, chemical, and other types of weapons in Syria.

Directs the President to submit a report to Congress, within 30 days after enactment of this Act, describing all support provided to opposition political forces in Syria.

Requires such report to include: (1) a description of the current technical assistance democracy programs conducted by the Department of State and United States Agency for International Development (USAID) to support the political opposition in Syria (opposition); (2) a summary of the communications equipment that is currently being provided to the opposition, including a description of the entities that have received and that will continue to receive such equipment; (3) a description of any additional activities the United States plans to support the opposition; and (4) a description of the funding levels currently dedicated to support the opposition.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **May 10, 2012:** Received in the House.
- **May 10, 2012:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **May 10, 2012:** Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.
- **May 9, 2012:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S3048-3049)
- **May 9, 2012:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **May 9, 2012:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **Apr 26, 2012:** Committee on Foreign Relations. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Apr 26, 2012:** Committee on Foreign Relations. Reported by Senator Kerry without amendment. Without written report.
- **Apr 26, 2012:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 385.
- **Mar 22, 2012:** Introduced in Senate
- **Mar 22, 2012:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.