

HR 3783

Countering Iran in the Western Hemisphere Act of 2012

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: International Affairs

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Rep. Adams, Sandy [R-FL-24]	R · FL		Feb 29, 2012
Rep. Harris, Andy [R-MD-1]	R · MD		Feb 29, 2012
Rep. Marino, Tom [R-PA-10]	R · PA		Feb 29, 2012
Del. Faleomavaega, Eni F. H. [D-AS-At Large]	D · AS		Mar 6, 2012
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Rep. West, Allen B. [R-FL-22]	R · FL		Jul 13, 2012
Rep. Berman, Howard L. [D-CA-28]	D · CA		Sep 13, 2012

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Rep. Ros-Lehtinen, Ileana [R-FL-18]	R · FL		Sep 13, 2012
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Rep. Southerland, Steve II [R-FL-2]	R · FL		Sep 19, 2012

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 3, 2012
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 3, 2012
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Reported by	Mar 1, 2012

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

International Affairs

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

(This measure has not been amended since it was passed by the Senate on December 12, 2012. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Countering Iran in the Western Hemisphere Act of 2012 - States that it is U.S. policy to use a comprehensive strategy to counter Iran's growing hostile presence in the Western Hemisphere by working together with U.S. allies and partners in the region to deter threats to U.S. interests by Iran, the Iranian Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC), the IRGC's Qods Force, and Hezbollah.

Directs the Secretary of State to submit to Congress a strategy to address Iran's growing presence and activity in the Western Hemisphere which should include: (1) descriptions of the presence, activities, and operations of Iran, the IRGC, the IRGC's Qods Force, and Hezbollah; (2) descriptions of the terrain, population, ports, foreign firms, airports, borders, media outlets, financial centers, foreign embassies, charities, religious and cultural centers, and income-generating activities utilized by Iran, the IRGC, the IRGC's Qods Force, and Hezbollah; (3) descriptions of the relationship of Iran, the IRGC, the IRGC's Qods Force, and Hezbollah with transnational criminal organizations; (4) descriptions of the relationship of Iran, the IRGC, the IRGC's Qods Force, and Hezbollah that may be present with governments in the Western Hemisphere; (5) descriptions of federal law enforcement capabilities, military forces, state and local government institutions, and other critical elements, such as nongovernmental organizations that may organize to counter the Iranian threat in the Western Hemisphere; (6) descriptions of activity by Iran, the IRGC, the IRGC's Qods Force, and Hezbollah that may be present at the U.S. borders with Mexico and Canada and at other international borders within the Western Hemisphere; and (7) a plan to address efforts by foreign persons, entities, and governments in the region to assist Iran in evading sanctions, to protect U.S. interests, assets, and allies in the Western Hemisphere, to support U.S. efforts to designate persons and entities in the Western Hemisphere for proliferation and terrorist activities relating to Iran, and to address vital U.S. interests in ensuring energy supplies from the Western Hemisphere.

Authorizes such strategy to be submitted in classified form, but requires it to include an unclassified summary of policy recommendations addressing the growing Iranian threat in the Western Hemisphere.

Expresses the sense of Congress that the Secretary should keep Congress informed about Iran's hostile actions in the Western Hemisphere.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 28, 2012:** Signed by President.
- **Dec 28, 2012:** Became Public Law No: 112-220.
- **Dec 20, 2012:** Presented to President.
- **Dec 18, 2012:** Ms. Ros-Lehtinen moved that the House suspend the rules and agree to the Senate amendment. (consideration: CR H6840-6841)
- **Dec 18, 2012:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on agreeing to the Senate amendment to H.R. 3783.
- **Dec 18, 2012:** POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **Dec 18, 2012:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H6853)
- **Dec 18, 2012:** Resolving differences -- House actions: On motion that the House suspend the rules and agree to the Senate amendment Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 386 - 6 (Roll no. 630). (text as House agreed to Senate amendment: CR H6840)
- **Dec 18, 2012:** On motion that the House suspend the rules and agree to the Senate amendment Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 386 - 6 (Roll no. 630). (text as House agreed to Senate amendment: CR H6840)
- **Dec 18, 2012:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Dec 13, 2012:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Dec 12, 2012:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S7988)
- **Dec 12, 2012:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Voice Vote. (text: CR S7988)
- **Dec 12, 2012:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Voice Vote. (text: CR S7988)
- **Sep 20, 2012:** Received in the Senate, read twice.
- **Sep 19, 2012:** Ms. Ros-Lehtinen moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Sep 19, 2012:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H6079-6083)
- **Sep 19, 2012:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 3783.
- **Sep 19, 2012:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H6079-6080)
- **Sep 19, 2012:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H6079-6080)
- **Sep 19, 2012:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Sep 19, 2012:** The title of the measure was amended. Agreed to without objection.
- **Mar 7, 2012:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Mar 7, 2012:** Ordered to be Reported by Unanimous Consent.
- **Mar 1, 2012:** Subcommittee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Mar 1, 2012:** Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee (Amended) by Voice Vote .
- **Feb 3, 2012:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade.
- **Feb 3, 2012:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Middle East and South Asia .
- **Feb 3, 2012:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere.
- **Jan 18, 2012:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 18, 2012:** Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.