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Passport Identity Verification Act

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Sponsor

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 6, 2011

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Passport Identity Verification Act - Amends the Immigration and Nationality Act to consider, for data sharing purposes only, that when Department of State personnel authorized by the Secretary of State to grant, refuse, revoke, deny, or adjudicate U.S. passports are lawfully engaged in authorized data sharing activities regarding such passport activities, those activities shall be considered law enforcement activities involving the administration of criminal justice.

Considers such Department personnel to be engaged in authorized data sharing activities when lawfully seeking to: (1) verify the identity of a passport applicant, (2) detect passport fraud, or (3) deny or revoke a passport.

Directs the Secretary to promulgate implementing regulations regarding data sharing regulations, procedures, and policies.

Directs the Secretary to conduct a study, and report to Congress, to determine: (1) if U.S. passport applicants or renewals should provide biometric identification information, and (2) if technology should be employed to verify identity documents.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 6, 2011:** Introduced in Senate
- **Apr 6, 2011:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S2201-2202)
- **Apr 6, 2011:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.