

HR 959

Secure Travel and Counterterrorism Partnership Program Act of 2011

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Immigration

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration Policy and Enforcement. (Mar 21, 2011)

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| Rep. Keating, William R. [D-MA-10] | D · MA | | Oct 3, 2011 |
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| Rep. Kucinich, Dennis J. [D-OH-10] | D · OH | | Dec 19, 2011 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Intelligence (Permanent Select) Committee | House | Referred To | Mar 8, 2011 |
| Judiciary Committee | House | Referred to | Mar 21, 2011 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Immigration

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 112 S 497 | Identical bill | Mar 7, 2011: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. |

Summary (as of Mar 8, 2011)

Secure Travel and Counterterrorism Partnership Program Act of 2011 - Amends the Immigration and Nationality Act regarding the visa waiver program to: (1) authorize the Secretary of Homeland Security (DHS), in consultation with the Secretary of State, to designate program countries; (2) replace visa refusal rates with visa overstays rates in determining program participation; (3) set a maximum 3% visa overstays rate for program countries; and (4) revise probationary status and program termination provisions.

Directs the Comptroller General to review the Secretary of Homeland Security's methods for tracking aliens entering and exiting the United States and for detecting visa overstays.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 21, 2011:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration Policy and Enforcement.
- **Mar 8, 2011:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 8, 2011:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Intelligence (Permanent Select), 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.