

HR 1542

WMD Intelligence and Information Sharing Act of 2013

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • **State:** PA • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Higgins, Brian [D-NY-26]	D · NY		Apr 12, 2013
Rep. King, Peter T. [R-NY-2]	R · NY		Apr 12, 2013
Rep. McCaul, Michael T. [R-TX-10]	R · TX		Apr 12, 2013
Rep. Speier, Jackie [D-CA-14]	D · CA		Apr 12, 2013

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jul 23, 2013
Homeland Security Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 24, 2013

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Emergency Management

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
113 HR 4034	Related bill	Feb 27, 2014: Referred to the Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response and Communications.

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

WMD Intelligence and Information Sharing Act of 2013 - Amends the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to direct the Office of Intelligence and Analysis of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to: (1) support homeland security-focused intelligence analysis of terrorist actors, their claims, and their plans to conduct attacks involving chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear materials against the nation and of global infectious disease, public health, food, agricultural, and veterinary issues; (2) support homeland security-focused risk analysis and risk assessments of such homeland security hazards by providing relevant quantitative and nonquantitative threat information; (3) leverage homeland security intelligence capabilities and structures to enhance prevention, protection, response, and recovery efforts with respect to a chemical, biological, radiological, or nuclear attack; and (4) share information and provide tailored analytical support on these threats to state, local, and tribal authorities as well as other national biosecurity and biodefense stakeholders.

Requires the Office to coordinate with other DHS components, the Intelligence Community, and federal, state, local, and tribal authorities where appropriate and enable such entities to provide recommendations on optimal information sharing mechanisms and on how they can provide information to DHS.

Directs the Secretary of DHS to report annually on: (1) intelligence and information sharing activities to counter the threat from weapons of mass destruction, and (2) DHS's activities in accordance with relevant intelligence strategies.

Requires the Secretary to ensure that homeland security information analyzed by DHS concerning terrorist threats is provided to state, local, and private entities and the public.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 23, 2013:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
- **Jul 22, 2013:** Mr. Meehan moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Jul 22, 2013:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H4837-4839)
- **Jul 22, 2013:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 1542.
- **Jul 22, 2013:** 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.
- **Jul 22, 2013:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H4839-4840)
- **Jul 22, 2013:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 388 - 3 (Roll no. 375). (text: CR H4837-4838)
- **Jul 22, 2013:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 388 - 3 (Roll no. 375). (text: CR H4837-4838)
- **Jul 22, 2013:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Apr 24, 2013:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence.
- **Apr 12, 2013:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 12, 2013:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H1962)
- **Apr 12, 2013:** Referred to the House Committee on Homeland Security.