

HR 4012

Secret Science Reform Act of 2014

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Rep. Aderholt, Robert B. [R-AL-4]	R · AL		Nov 12, 2014

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Environment and Public Works Committee	Senate	Referred To	Nov 20, 2014
Science, Space, and Technology Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 5, 2014

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Environmental Protection

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
113 HRES 756	Related bill	Nov 18, 2014: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
113 S 2613	Identical bill	Jul 16, 2014: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

Summary (as of Nov 19, 2014)

Secret Science Reform Act of 2014 - Amends the Environmental Research, Development, and Demonstration Authorization Act of 1978 to prohibit the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) from proposing, finalizing, or disseminating a covered action unless all scientific and technical information relied on to support such action is specifically identified and publicly available online in a manner sufficient for independent analysis and substantial reproduction of research results. Includes as a covered action a risk, exposure, or hazard assessment, criteria document, standard, limitation, regulation, regulatory impact analysis, or guidance.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 20, 2014:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
- **Nov 19, 2014:** Considered under the provisions of rule H. Res. 756. (consideration: CR H8087-8103)
- **Nov 19, 2014:** Rule provides for consideration of H.R. 1422, H.R. 4012 and H.R. 4795. General debate is limited to 1 hour for each bill. The resolution specifies certain amendments are in order for H.R. 1422, H.R. 4012, and H.R. 4795. One motion to recommit with instructions is permitted for each bill.
- **Nov 19, 2014:** House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union pursuant to H. Res. 756 and Rule XVIII.
- **Nov 19, 2014:** The Speaker designated the Honorable John J. Duncan, Jr. to act as Chairman of the Committee.
- **Nov 19, 2014:** GENERAL DEBATE - The Committee of the Whole proceeded with one hour of general debate on H.R. 4012.
- **Nov 19, 2014:** DEBATE - Pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 756, the House proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Gosar Part B amendment No. 1.
- **Nov 19, 2014:** DEBATE - Pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 756, the House proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Kennedy Part B amendment No. 2.
- **Nov 19, 2014:** The House rose from the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union to report H.R. 4012.
- **Nov 19, 2014:** The previous question was ordered pursuant to the rule. (consideration: CR H8100)
- **Nov 19, 2014:** The House adopted the amendment in the nature of a substitute as agreed to by the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union. (text of amendment in the nature of a substitute: CR H8097)
- **Nov 19, 2014:** Ms. Johnson, E. B. moved to recommit with instructions to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. (consideration: CR H8100-8102; text: CR H8100-8101)
- **Nov 19, 2014:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the E. B. Johnson (TX) motion to recommit with instructions, pending reservation of a point order. The instructions contained in the motion seek to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment to exempt any Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regulation that protects communities in an emergency, including an Ebola or pandemic flu outbreak, the release of toxic chemicals, or a nuclear, biological, or terrorist attack. Subsequently, the reservation of a point of order was removed.
- **Nov 19, 2014:** The previous question on the motion to recommit with instructions was ordered without objection. (consideration: CR H8101)
- **Nov 19, 2014:** On motion to recommit with instructions Failed by recorded vote: 196 - 230 (Roll no. 527).
- **Nov 19, 2014:** Passed/agreed to in House: On passage Passed by recorded vote: 237 - 190 (Roll no. 528).
- **Nov 19, 2014:** On passage Passed by recorded vote: 237 - 190 (Roll no. 528).
- **Nov 19, 2014:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Nov 17, 2014:** Rules Committee Resolution H. Res. 756 Reported to House. Rule provides for consideration of H.R. 1422, H.R. 4012 and H.R. 4795. The resolution provides for consideration of H.R. 1422, H.R. 4012, and H.R. 4795. General debate is limited to 1 hour for each bill. The resolution specifies certain amendments are in order for H.R. 1422, H.R. 4012, and H.R. 4795. One motion to recommit with instructions is permitted for each bill.
- **Nov 12, 2014:** Reported by the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. H. Rept. 113-619.
- **Nov 12, 2014:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 460.
- **Jun 24, 2014:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jun 24, 2014:** Ordered to be Reported by Voice Vote.
- **Mar 5, 2014:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Environment.
- **Feb 11, 2014:** Hearings Held by the Subcommittee on Environment Prior to Referral.
- **Feb 6, 2014:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 6, 2014:** Referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.