

HR 4263

Social Media Working Group Act of 2014

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Brooks, Susan W. [R-IN-5]

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

Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Palazzo, Steven M. [R-MS-4]	R · MS		Mar 14, 2014
Rep. Payne, Donald M., Jr. [D-NJ-10]	D · NJ		Mar 14, 2014
Rep. Swalwell, Eric [D-CA-15]	D · CA		Mar 14, 2014
Rep. McCaul, Michael T. [R-TX-10]	R · TX		May 19, 2014

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jul 9, 2014
Homeland Security Committee	House	Reported by	Mar 27, 2014

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Emergency Management

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

(This measure has not been amended since it was reported to the House on June 19, 2014. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Social Media Working Group Act of 2014 - Amends the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to establish within the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) a social media working group (the Group) to provide guidance and best practices to the emergency preparedness and response community on the use of social media technologies before, during, and after a terrorist attack or other emergency.

Requires the Group to submit an annual report that includes: (1) a review of current and emerging social media technologies being used to support preparedness and response activities related to terrorist attacks and other emergencies; (2) a review of best practices and lessons learned on the use of social media during the response to terrorist attacks and other emergencies that occurred during the period covered by the report; (3) recommendations to improve DHS's use of social media for emergency management purposes, to improve public awareness of the type of information disseminated through social media and how to access such information during a terrorist attack or other emergency, and to improve information sharing among DHS and its components and among state and local governments; (4) a review of available training for government officials on the use of social media in response to a terrorist attack or other emergency; and (5) a summary of coordination efforts with the private sector to discuss and resolve legal, operational, technical, privacy, and security concerns.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 9, 2014:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
- **Jul 8, 2014:** Mrs. Brooks (IN) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Jul 8, 2014:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H5854-5856)
- **Jul 8, 2014:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 4263.
- **Jul 8, 2014:** 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 8, 2014:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H5860-5861)
- **Jul 8, 2014:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 375 - 19 (Roll no. 369).(text: CR H5854-5855)
- **Jul 8, 2014:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 375 - 19 (Roll no. 369). (text: CR H5854-5855)
- **Jun 19, 2014:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Homeland Security. H. Rept. 113-480.
- **Jun 19, 2014:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 356.
- **Jun 11, 2014:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jun 11, 2014:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Mar 27, 2014:** Subcommittee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Mar 27, 2014:** Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee (Amended) by Voice Vote .
- **Mar 24, 2014:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response and Communications.
- **Mar 14, 2014:** Introduced in House
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