

HR 4607

Eric Williams Correctional Officer Protection Act of 2014

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Sponsor

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Rep. Costa, Jim [D-CA-16]	D · CA		Aug 1, 2014
Rep. Forbes, J. Randy [R-VA-4]	R · VA		Aug 1, 2014
Rep. Doggett, Lloyd [D-TX-35]	D · TX		Sep 18, 2014

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 21, 2014

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
113 S 2309	Identical bill	May 8, 2014: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Eric Williams Correctional Officer Protection Act of 2014 - Amends the federal criminal code to require the Director of the Bureau of Prisons to issue oleoresin capsicum spray to: (1) any Bureau officer or employee employed in a prison that is not a minimum or low security prison who may respond to an emergency situation in such prison; and (2) such additional prison officers and employees as the Director deems appropriate, subject to specified requirements.

Requires any such officer or employee to complete a training course before being issued such spray and annual training on the use of such spray.

Authorizes Bureau officers and employees issued such spray to use it to reduce acts of violence committed by prisoners and prison visitors against themselves, other prisoners and visitors, and Bureau officers and employees.

Directs the Comptroller General (GAO), not later than three years after the date on which the Director begins to issue oleoresin capsicum spray to Bureau officers and employees, to submit to Congress a report that includes: (1) an evaluation of the effectiveness of issuing such spray on reducing crime in such prisons and acts of violence committed by prisoners against themselves and others, (2) an evaluation of the advisability of issuing such spray, and (3) recommendations to improve the safety of Bureau officers and employees in prisons.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 21, 2014:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations.
- **May 8, 2014:** Introduced in House
- **May 8, 2014:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.