

HR 5470

Visa Waiver Program Improvement Act of 2014

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Policy Area: Immigration

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Border Security. (Oct 28, 2014)

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security Committee	House	Referred to	Sep 18, 2014
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Oct 28, 2014

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Immigration

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Sep 15, 2014)

Visa Waiver Program Improvement Act of 2014 - Amends the Immigration and Nationality Act to include terrorism risk as a factor the Secretary of Homeland Security (DHS) shall consider under the electronic system for travel authorization (ESTA) in determining the eligibility of an alien to travel to the United States.

Directs the Secretary to report to Congress regarding: (1) the number of individuals, identified by their countries of citizenship or nationality, who were denied eligibility to travel, or whose eligibility was revoked, under ESTA because the individual was determined to be a U.S. security threat; (2) steps to strengthen ESTA; and (3) foreign government compliance with information sharing agreements concerning passport theft or loss and whether a country's citizens or nationals traveling to the United States pose a U.S. security threat.

Authorizes the Secretary to suspend a country from the visa waiver program without prior notice if the country fails to comply with an agreement to share information regarding whether its citizens and nationals traveling to the United States pose a U.S. security threat.

Actions Timeline

- **Oct 28, 2014:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Border Security.
- **Sep 18, 2014:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security.
- **Sep 15, 2014:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 15, 2014:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Homeland Security, 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.