

## HR 548

### Border Infrastructure and Jobs Act of 2013

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** International Affairs

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## Sponsor

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**Party:** Democratic • **State:** AZ • **Chamber:** House

## Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Pastor, Ed [D-AZ-7]	D · AZ		Feb 8, 2013
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## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 25, 2013
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 15, 2013
Homeland Security Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 20, 2013
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Referred To	Feb 6, 2013
Small Business Committee	House	Referred To	Feb 6, 2013
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 7, 2013
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Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 19, 2013

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

International Affairs

## Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Border Infrastructure and Jobs Act of 2013 - Establishes the United States-Mexico Economic Partnership Commission, which shall review and examine cross-border trade policies, strategies, and programs with Mexico.

Directs the Secretary of Commerce to establish a grants program to develop and expand trusted shipper programs for small- and medium-sized businesses to facilitate border commerce.

Authorizes appropriations for FY2014 to: (1) the General Services Administration (GSA) for planning, management, and construction of United States Customs and Border Protection (CBP) owned land border ports of entry along the U.S.-Mexico border and for the installation of renewable energy retrofits at such ports of entry; (2) the International Boundary and Water Commission for planning, management, and construction of the International Outfall Interceptor and the Nogales Wash Channel; (3) the Federal Highway Administration (FHA) for improvements to existing transportation and supporting infrastructure along the border, for construction of highways and related safety and enforcement facilities related to international trade with Mexico, and for international coordination of transportation planning, programming, and border operations with Mexico; and (4) the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) for integrated fixed towers, remote video cameras, hand-held devices, mobile systems, and other technologies in Arizona.

Requires the DHS Secretary: (1) during FY2014, to increase the number of full-time active duty CBP officers, agriculture specialists, and border security support personnel for such ports of entry, with priority to the Tucson Sector; and (2) to develop and annually update a Southwest Border Strategy for Security and Prosperity to facilitate trade and maintain operational control over such ports of entry.

Directs the Administrator of the Small Business Administration (SBA) to establish a grants program to develop and revitalize small businesses located along the border.

Prohibits an executive agency from awarding a contract unless 30% of the labor for the performance of the contract is performed by a local subcontractor, with exceptions.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Mar 15, 2013:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere.
- **Feb 25, 2013:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Horticulture, Research, Biotechnology, and Foreign Agriculture.
- **Feb 20, 2013:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security.
- **Feb 19, 2013:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Trade.
- **Feb 7, 2013:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management.
- **Feb 7, 2013:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.
- **Feb 6, 2013:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 6, 2013:** Referred to the Committee on Homeland Security, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, Transportation and Infrastructure, Small Business, Oversight and Government Reform, Foreign Affairs, and Agriculture, 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.