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Cosponsors

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Committee Activity

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Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

United States Secret Service Accountability and Improvement Act of 2014 - Establishes in the legislative branch an independent advisory panel to: (1) examine the efficiency and effectiveness of the leadership structure, protocols, training, tools, and capabilities of the Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) mission to protect national leaders, visiting heads of state and government, designated sites, and special events of national significance; and (2) make recommendations to improve the overall efficiency and effectiveness of the United States Secret Service.

Directs the panel to assess the current leadership structure, protocols, training, tools, and capabilities of the Service, including assessing:

- the unity of effort between the divisions of the Service, law enforcement agencies, and other components of DHS related to the protective and investigative missions;
- the impact of Service personnel culture on its effectiveness and efficiency;
- the impact any leadership or security deficiencies have on the threat from acts of terrorism or other security incidents;
- identification of all security breaches at locations under Service protection in the past five years;
- the extent to which current resources provide for accomplishing its mission, and
- the effectiveness of communications and dissemination of homeland security information within the Service and with other law enforcement entities in routine and emergency situations.

Sets forth reporting requirements, including requiring the final report to identify lessons learned regarding Service leadership issues and to include recommendations for improving efficiency and effectiveness, improving unity of effort, eliminating barriers to effective communications, identifying and mitigating culture issues that detract from its mission, and mitigating risks based on past security breaches.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 24, 2014:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations.
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