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Federal Protective Service Improvement and Accountability Act of 2013

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 11, 2013
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 15, 2013

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Federal Protective Service Improvement and Accountability Act of 2013 - Directs the Secretary of Homeland Security (DHS) to maintain no fewer than 1,350 full-time equivalent positions in the Federal Protective Service inspector force, who shall be fully trained federal law enforcement officers. Directs the Secretary to classify the positions in the following categories: (1) Federal Facility Security Officers, responsible for security assessment; and (2) law enforcement officers, responsible for physical law enforcement and investigations. Directs the Secretary to establish: (1) the Federal Protective Service contract oversight force, and (2) minimum training and certification standards for security guard services at facilities protected by the Service.

Expresses the sense of Congress that specified security standards for federal facilities established by the Interagency Security Committee should be implemented for all federal facilities for which they were issued.

Directs the Secretary, through the Director of the Federal Protective Service, to: (1) commence a one-year pilot program to research the advantages of converting guard positions at the highest-risk federal facilities protected by the Service from contract guard positions to positions held by federal employees, and (2) establish and hire individuals for a federal facility security guard position.

Directs the Comptroller General to: (1) periodically review and report to Congress on the performance by federal facility security guards under the pilot program, and upon its completion submit a final report evaluating whether or not the performance of individuals in such positions was satisfactory (if so, directs the Secretary to replace contract guards at all highest risk facilities protected by the Service with federal employees); and (2) submit a review of the fee-based funding system in use by the Service and issue any recommendations for alternative approaches.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 11, 2013:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency.
- **Feb 15, 2013:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management.
- **Feb 14, 2013:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 14, 2013:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E147-148)
- **Feb 14, 2013:** Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, 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.