

HR 1534

Smarter Approach to Nuclear Expenditures Act

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 13, 2015

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 S 831	Identical bill	Mar 23, 2015: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

Summary (as of Mar 23, 2015)

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Prohibits the obligation or expenditure of funds authorized to be appropriated to the Department of Defense (DOD) for FY2015-FY2024: (1) for the research, development, test, and evaluation (RDT&E) or procurement of a long-range penetrating bomber aircraft; (2) to procure an SSBN-X submarine (and prohibits the use of such funds for FY2025 and thereafter to procure more than eight such submarines); or (3) for the RDT&E or procurement of a new intercontinental ballistic missile (ICBM).

Prohibits the obligation or expenditure of funds authorized to be appropriated for FY2015 or thereafter for DOD or the Department of Energy: (1) to make the F-35 Joint Strike Fighter aircraft capable of carrying nuclear weapons; (2) until the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Energy jointly certify that the total cost of the B61 life extension program has been reduced to not more than \$4 billion; (3) for the W78 life extension program; (4) for the mixed oxide fuel fabrication facility project; (5) for the uranium processing facility at the Y-12 National Security Complex, Oak Ridge, Tennessee; or (6) for RDT&E of a new air-launched cruise missile or for the W80 warhead life extension program.

Prohibits Navy forces, beginning in FY2021, from including more than eight operational ballistic-missile submarines available for deployment.

Requires initial and annual reports from the Secretaries of Defense and Energy outlining their respective plans to carry out the requirements of this Act.

Directs the President to submit to Congress an annual report containing a comprehensive accounting by the Office of Management and Budget of the amounts obligated or expended by the federal government for each nuclear weapon and related nuclear program during the fiscal year covered by the report for the life cycle of such weapon or program.

Actions Timeline

- **Aug 13, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Strategic Forces.
- **Mar 24, 2015:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H1852-1853)
- **Mar 23, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 23, 2015:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E379-380)
- **Mar 23, 2015:** Referred to the House Committee on Armed Services.