

S 1808

Northern Border Security Review Act

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Heitkamp, Heidi [D-ND]

Party: Democratic • **State:** ND • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (7 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Ayotte, Kelly [R-NH]	R · NH		Jul 21, 2015
Sen. Johnson, Ron [R-WI]	R · WI		Jul 21, 2015
Sen. Peters, Gary C. [D-MI]	D · MI		Jul 21, 2015
Sen. Portman, Rob [R-OH]	R · OH		Jul 30, 2015
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		Oct 26, 2015
Sen. King, Angus S., Jr. [I-ME]	I · ME		Apr 12, 2016
Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]	D · MN		Nov 16, 2016

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Reported By	Oct 19, 2015

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Emergency Management

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 S 2976	Related bill	Jun 28, 2016: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 532.
114 HR 4482	Related bill	Apr 14, 2016: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
114 HR 455	Related bill	Oct 29, 2015: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

(This measure has not been amended since it was passed by the Senate on November 16, 2016. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

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(Sec. 3) This bill directs the Secretary of Homeland Security to submit to specified congressional committees a northern border threat analysis, which shall include analyses of:

- terrorism and criminal threats posed by individuals and organized groups seeking to enter the United States through the northern border or to exploit border vulnerabilities on such border;
- improvements needed at and between ports of entry along the northern border to prevent terrorists and instruments of terrorism from entering the United States and to reduce criminal activity, as measured by the total flow of illegal goods, illicit drugs, and smuggled and trafficked persons moved in either direction across such border;
- gaps in law, policy, cooperation between state, tribal, and local law enforcement, international agreements, or tribal agreements that hinder border security, counterterrorism, anti-human smuggling and trafficking efforts, and the flow of legitimate trade along the northern border; and
- whether additional U.S. Customs and Border Protection preclearance and preinspection operations at ports of entry along the northern border could help prevent terrorists and instruments of terror from entering the United States.

The Secretary, for such analysis, must consider and examine:

- technology needs and challenges;
- personnel needs and challenges;
- the role of state, tribal, and local law enforcement in general border security activities;
- the need for cooperation among federal, state, tribal, local, and Canadian law enforcement entities relating to border security;
- the terrain, population density, and climate along the northern border; and
- the needs and challenges of Department of Homeland Security facilities, including the physical approaches to such facilities.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 14, 2016:** Signed by President.
- **Dec 14, 2016:** Became Public Law No: 114-267.
- **Dec 2, 2016:** Presented to President.
- **Nov 29, 2016:** Mr. King (NY) asked unanimous consent to take from the Speaker's table and consider.
- **Nov 29, 2016:** Considered by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR H6355-6356)
- **Nov 29, 2016:** Passed/agreed to in House: On passage Passed without objection.(text of measure as passed: CR H6356)
- **Nov 29, 2016:** On passage Passed without objection. (text of measure as passed: CR H6356)
- **Nov 29, 2016:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Nov 17, 2016:** Received in the House.
- **Nov 17, 2016:** Held at the desk.
- **Nov 17, 2016:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Nov 16, 2016:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S6417-6418; text of measure as reported in Senate: CR S6417-6418)
- **Nov 16, 2016:** The committee substitute withdrawn by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S6418)
- **Nov 16, 2016:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.(text: CR S6418)
- **Nov 16, 2016:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent. (text: CR S6418)
- **Oct 19, 2015:** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Reported by Senator Johnson with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 114-155.
- **Oct 19, 2015:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 269.
- **Jul 29, 2015:** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Jul 21, 2015:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jul 21, 2015:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.