

## HR 3505

### Department of Homeland Security Clearance Management and Administration Act

**Congress:** 114 (2015–2017, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Emergency Management

**Introduced:** Sep 15, 2015

**Current Status:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Government

**Latest Action:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. (Nov 3, 2015)

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### Sponsor

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

### Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Nov 3, 2015
Homeland Security Committee	House	Reported by	Sep 17, 2015

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Emergency Management

### Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary has been expanded because action occurred on the measure.)

### **Department of Homeland Security Clearance Management and Administration Act**

(Sec. 2) This bill amends the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to require that the designation of the sensitivity level of national security positions be conducted in a consistent manner in all Department of Homeland Security (DHS) components and offices, consistent with federal guidelines. DHS must use uniform designation tools throughout DHS and provide training to appropriate staff.

The bill requires DHS: (1) by July 6, 2017, and every five years thereafter, to review all sensitivity level designations of national security positions at DHS; (2) if it determines that a change in the sensitivity level is warranted, to administratively adjust access and complete an appropriate level periodic reinvestigation; and (3) to report on such positions requiring access to classified information, no longer requiring access, or requiring a different level of access.

DHS's Inspector General must conduct regular audits of DHS compliance with regulations regarding such designations.

DHS must submit an annual report, through FY2021, on the denials, suspensions, revocations, and appeals of an individual's eligibility for access to classified information in DHS.

DHS must: (1) develop a plan to achieve greater uniformity regarding the adjudication of eligibility of an individual for access to classified information that is consistent with the Adjudicative Guidelines for Determining Access to Classified Information, and (2) ensure that all information received for such adjudication is consistent with such Guidelines and is protected against misappropriation. The plan shall consider the establishment of an internal appeals panel responsible for final national security clearance denial and revocation determinations.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Nov 3, 2015:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
- **Nov 2, 2015:** Reported by the Committee on Homeland Security. H. Rept. 114-323.
- **Nov 2, 2015:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 246.
- **Nov 2, 2015:** Mr. King (NY) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Nov 2, 2015:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H7353-7355)
- **Nov 2, 2015:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 3505.
- **Nov 2, 2015:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H7353-7354)
- **Nov 2, 2015:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H7353-7354)
- **Nov 2, 2015:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Sep 30, 2015:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Sep 30, 2015:** Ordered to be Reported by Voice Vote.
- **Sep 17, 2015:** Subcommittee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Sep 17, 2015:** Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee by Voice Vote .
- **Sep 16, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence.
- **Sep 15, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 15, 2015:** Referred to the House Committee on Homeland Security.