

## HR 3654

### Combat Terrorist Use of Social Media Act of 2015

**Congress:** 114 (2015–2017, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Crime and Law Enforcement

**Introduced:** Sep 30, 2015

**Current Status:** Star Print ordered on the bill.

**Latest Action:** Star Print ordered on the bill. (Feb 1, 2016)

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## Sponsor

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Engel, Eliot L. [D-NY-16]	D · NY		Sep 30, 2015
Rep. Royce, Edward R. [R-CA-39]	R · CA		Sep 30, 2015
Rep. Sherman, Brad [D-CA-30]	D · CA		Sep 30, 2015
Rep. DeSantis, Ron [R-FL-6]	R · FL		Oct 20, 2015
Rep. Lowenthal, Alan S. [D-CA-47]	D · CA		Oct 20, 2015
Rep. Weber, Randy K., Sr. [R-TX-14]	R · TX		Oct 20, 2015
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Rep. Smith, Christopher H. [R-NJ-4]	R · NJ		Oct 23, 2015
Rep. Bera, Ami [D-CA-7]	D · CA		Dec 8, 2015
Rep. Frankel, Lois [D-FL-22]	D · FL		Dec 8, 2015
Rep. Higgins, Brian [D-NY-26]	D · NY		Dec 8, 2015
Rep. Keating, William R. [D-MA-9]	D · MA		Dec 8, 2015
Rep. Ross, Dennis A. [R-FL-15]	R · FL		Dec 8, 2015
Rep. Boyle, Brendan F. [D-PA-13]	D · PA		Dec 15, 2015
Rep. Cicilline, David N. [D-RI-1]	D · RI		Dec 15, 2015
Rep. Jackson Lee, Sheila [D-TX-18]	D · TX		Dec 15, 2015

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Markup By	Dec 9, 2015
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Dec 17, 2015
Intelligence (Permanent Select) Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 30, 2015
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Nov 3, 2015

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 S 2517	Related bill	Jul 11, 2016: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 551.

## Summary (as of Dec 16, 2015)

### Combat Terrorist Use of Social Media Act of 2015

(Sec. 2) This bill requires the President to transmit to Congress a report on U.S. strategy to combat terrorists' and terrorist organizations' use of social media.

The report must include:

- an evaluation of the role social media plays in radicalization in the United States and elsewhere;
- an analysis of how terrorists and terrorist organizations are using social media;
- recommendations to improve the federal government's efforts to disrupt and counter the use of social media by terrorists and terrorist organizations;
- an analysis of how social media is being used for counter-radicalization and counter-propaganda purposes, irrespective of whether such efforts are made by the federal government;
- an assessment of the value to law enforcement of terrorists' social media posts; and
- an overview of training available to law enforcement and intelligence personnel to combat terrorists' use of social media and recommendations for improving or expanding existing training opportunities.

(Sec. 3) The President must also transmit to Congress a comprehensive strategy to counter terrorists' and terrorist organizations' use of social media, as committed to in the President's 2011 Strategic Implementation Plan for Empowering Local Partners to Prevent Violent Extremism in the United States.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Feb 1, 2016:** Star Print ordered on the bill.
- **Dec 17, 2015:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
- **Dec 16, 2015:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H9341)
- **Dec 16, 2015:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR 12/15/2015 H9314)
- **Dec 16, 2015:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR 12/15/2015 H9314)
- **Dec 16, 2015:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Dec 15, 2015:** Mr. Royce moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Dec 15, 2015:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H9314-9318)
- **Dec 15, 2015:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 3654.
- **Dec 15, 2015:** At the conclusion of debate, the chair put the question on the motion to suspend the rules. Mr. Royce objected to the vote on the grounds that a quorum was not present. Further proceedings on the motion were postponed. The point of no quorum was considered as withdrawn.
- **Dec 9, 2015:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Dec 9, 2015:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Unanimous Consent.
- **Nov 3, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations.
- **Sep 30, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 30, 2015:** Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary, and Intelligence (Permanent Select), 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.