

HR 3842

Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers Reform and Improvement Act of 2015

Congress: 114 (2015–2017, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Carter, Earl L. "Buddy" [R-GA-1]

Party: Republican • **State:** GA • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (5 total)

| Cosponsor | Party / State | Role | Date Joined |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|------|--------------|
| Rep. Torres, Norma J. [D-CA-35] | D · CA | | Oct 28, 2015 |
| Rep. Loudermilk, Barry [R-GA-11] | R · GA | | Nov 3, 2015 |
| Rep. McCaul, Michael T. [R-TX-10] | R · TX | | Nov 5, 2015 |
| Rep. Carter, John R. [R-TX-31] | R · TX | | Nov 16, 2015 |
| Rep. Ratcliffe, John [R-TX-4] | R · TX | | Nov 16, 2015 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
|-----------------------------|---------|-----------------|--------------|
| Homeland Security Committee | House | Reported By | Nov 19, 2015 |
| Judiciary Committee | House | Referred to | Nov 2, 2015 |
| Judiciary Committee | Senate | Discharged From | Dec 10, 2016 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 114 HR 6381 | Related bill | Dec 16, 2016: Referred to the Subcommittee on Biotechnology, Horticulture, and Research. |
| 114 S 2781 | Related bill | Dec 12, 2016: Held at the desk. |

(This measure has not been amended since it was passed by the Senate on December 10, 2016. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

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(Sec. 2) This bill amends the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to codify the establishment of the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) within the Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

The FLETC must be headed by a director who reports to the DHS Secretary.

The bill sets forth functions of the director, including to: establish and execute organizational plans and priorities; direct and manage training facilities, programs, and activities; develop training goals and curricula; disseminate homeland security information to law enforcement and security agencies and private sector stakeholders; conduct acquisition in compliance with federal law and regulations; coordinate and share digital resources with federal agencies; and collaborate to improve international instructional development, training, and technical assistance to foreign law enforcement.

Additionally, the bill sets forth training responsibilities of the FLETC and partner organizations (i.e., federal agencies that participate in FLETC training programs under a formal memorandum of understanding).

It authorizes the FLETC to: (1) train federal employees engaged in homeland security operations or law enforcement activities, and (2) execute strategic partnerships with state and local law enforcement agencies and coordinate with private sector stakeholders to provide training. The FLETC must consult with relevant law enforcement and security agencies to develop and deliver training programs.

A partner organization must pay for and assign non-reimbursable detailed instructors to support training programs.

The FLETC may conduct federal employee trainings at FLETC facilities, at off-site locations, or by distributed learning (e.g., online); detail its employees throughout DHS; charge fees for non-federal trainings; provide certain student support services; hire retired federal employees with training experience; and reimburse travel expenses of non-federal and intermittent federal employees.

Individuals who attend FLETC training must reside in FLETC housing, to the extent practicable.

Finally, the bill codifies existing authorities of the FLETC to spend funds to promote awareness of and support for law enforcement training, accept and use gifts for authorized purposes, accept reimbursement for the construction or renovation of training facilities, obligate funds in anticipation of reimbursements, purchase uniforms and passenger vehicles, and provide room and board for student interns. It also authorizes the FLETC to spend funds to honor and memorialize FLETC graduates who have died in the line of duty.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 16, 2016:** Signed by President.
- **Dec 16, 2016:** Became Public Law No: 114-285.
- **Dec 15, 2016:** Presented to President.
- **Dec 13, 2016:** Mr. Smith (NJ) asked unanimous consent to take from the Speaker's table and agree to the Senate amendments.
- **Dec 13, 2016:** Resolving differences -- House actions: On motion that the House agree to the Senate amendments Agreed to without objection.(consideration: CR H7586; text as House agreed to Senate amendment: CR H7586)
- **Dec 13, 2016:** On motion that the House agree to the Senate amendments Agreed to without objection. (consideration: CR H7586; text as House agreed to Senate amendment: CR H7586)
- **Dec 13, 2016:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Dec 12, 2016:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Dec 10, 2016:** Senate Committee on the Judiciary discharged by Unanimous Consent.
- **Dec 10, 2016:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S7104-7106)
- **Dec 10, 2016:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with amendments by Voice Vote.
- **Dec 10, 2016:** Passed Senate with amendments by Voice Vote.
- **Dec 9, 2015:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
- **Dec 8, 2015:** Mr. Carter (GA) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Dec 8, 2015:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H9037-9040, H9041)
- **Dec 8, 2015:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 3842.
- **Dec 8, 2015:** DEBATE - The House resumed debate on the motion to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 3842.
- **Dec 8, 2015:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **Dec 8, 2015:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H9062)
- **Dec 8, 2015:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 420 - 2 (Roll no. 680).(text: CR H9037-9038)
- **Dec 8, 2015:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 420 - 2 (Roll no. 680). (text: CR H9037-9038)
- **Dec 8, 2015:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Nov 19, 2015:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Homeland Security. H. Rept. 114-343, Part I.
- **Nov 19, 2015:** Committee on the Judiciary discharged.
- **Nov 19, 2015:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 262.
- **Nov 4, 2015:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Nov 4, 2015:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Nov 2, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations.
- **Oct 28, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Oct 28, 2015:** Referred to the Committee on Homeland Security, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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.