HR 4403

Enhancing Overseas Traveler Vetting Act

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Sponsor

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Rep. Loudermilk, Barry [R-GA-11]	R · GA		Feb 1, 2016
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Rep. McSally, Martha [R-AZ-2]	R · AZ		Feb 1, 2016
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Rep. Ratcliffe, John [R-TX-4]	R · TX		Feb 1, 2016
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Rep. Sherman, Brad [D-CA-30]	D · CA		Feb 25, 2016
Rep. Sinema, Kyrsten [D-AZ-9]	D · AZ		Apr 12, 2016

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Discharged from	Feb 17, 2016
Foreign Relations Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 14, 2016
Homeland Security Committee	House	Reported By	Apr 11, 2016

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Apr 13, 2016)

Enhancing Overseas Traveler Vetting Act

(Sec. 2) This bill authorizes the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the Department of State to:

- develop open-source software based on U.S. Customs and Border Protection's global travel targeting and analysis systems and the State Department's watch listing, identification, and screening systems to facilitate the vetting of travelers against terrorist watch lists and law enforcement databases, enhance border management, and improve targeting and analysis; and
- make such software and any related technical assistance or training available to foreign governments or multilateral organizations for such purposes.

DHS and the State Department shall submit an implementing plan to Congress.

Before making open-source software available to foreign governments or multilateral organizations, DHS and the State Department shall: (1) certify to Congress that such availability is in U.S. national security interests, and (2) inform Congress on how such software or any related technical assistance or training will be made available.

No additional funds are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this Act.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 14, 2016:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
- **Apr 13, 2016:** Mr. Royce moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Apr 13, 2016:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H1670-1672)
- **Apr 13, 2016:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 4403.
- **Apr 13, 2016:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H1670)
- **Apr 13, 2016:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H1670)
- **Apr 13, 2016:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Apr 11, 2016:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Homeland Security. H. Rept. 114-480, Part I.
- **Feb 24, 2016:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Feb 24, 2016:** Ordered to be Reported by Unanimous Consent.
- **Feb 17, 2016:** Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade Discharged.
- **Feb 12, 2016:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade.
- **Feb 2, 2016:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Feb 2, 2016:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Feb 1, 2016:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 1, 2016:** Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Homeland Security, 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.