

SRES 535

A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the trafficking of illicit fentanyl into the United States from Mexico and China.

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Rubio, Marco [R-FL]	R · FL		Jul 14, 2016
Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH]	D · NH		Sep 21, 2016
Sen. Toomey, Patrick [R-PA]	R · PA		Sep 26, 2016
Sen. King, Angus S., Jr. [I-ME]	I · ME		Sep 29, 2016

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Relations Committee	Senate	Reported By	Dec 7, 2016

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Expresses the sense of the Senate that:

- the use of illicit fentanyl in the United States and the resulting overdose deaths are a public health crisis;
- the trafficking of illicit fentanyl into the United States, especially by transnational criminal organizations, is a problem that requires close cooperation between the U.S. government and the governments of Mexico and China; and
- all three such countries have a shared interest in, and responsibility for, stopping the production of illicit fentanyl and its trafficking into the United States.

Calls for the United States to:

- support the efforts by the governments of Mexico and China to stop such production and trafficking;
- take further measures to reduce and prevent heroin and fentanyl consumption through enhanced enforcement to reduce the illegal supply and increased use of evidence-based prevention, treatment, and recovery services; and
- use its broad diplomatic and law enforcement resources, in partnership with the governments of China and Mexico, to stop such production and trafficking.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 7, 2016:** Committee on Foreign Relations. Reported by Senator Corker with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and with an amended preamble. Without written report.
- **Dec 7, 2016:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 707.
- **Dec 6, 2016:** Committee on Foreign Relations. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Jul 14, 2016:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jul 14, 2016:** Referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (text of measure as introduced: CR S5171-5172)