

HR 5471

Countering Terrorist Radicalization Act

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Rep. Sinema, Kyrsten [D-AZ-9]	D · AZ		Jun 15, 2016
Rep. Keating, William R. [D-MA-9]	D · MA		Jun 16, 2016
Rep. McSally, Martha [R-AZ-2]	R · AZ		Jun 16, 2016

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 20, 2016
Homeland Security Committee	House	Referred To	Jun 14, 2016

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 S 3072	Identical bill	Jun 16, 2016: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
114 HR 4407	Related bill	May 17, 2016: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
114 HR 4820	Related bill	Apr 27, 2016: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
114 HR 4401	Related bill	Mar 1, 2016: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

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

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TITLE I--AMPLIFYING LOCAL EFFORTS TO ROOT OUT TERROR

(Sec. 101) This bill authorizes the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to provide training at state and major urban area fusion centers for the purpose of administering community awareness briefings and related activities in furtherance of its efforts to counter violent extremism, identify and report suspicious activities, and increase awareness of and more quickly identify terrorism threats, including the travel or attempted travel of individuals from the United States to support a foreign terrorist organization abroad. (A "fusion center" serves as a focal point within the state and local environment for the receipt, analysis, gathering, and sharing of threat-related information between the federal government and state, local, tribal, territorial and private sector partners.)

(Sec. 102) The bill directs DHS to assess its efforts to support countering violent extremism at the state, local, tribal, and territorial levels. Such assessment shall:

- catalog such efforts;
- review cooperative agreements between DHS and such governments relating to countering violent extremism; and
- evaluate DHS plans and any potential opportunities to better support such governments that are in furtherance of DHS's countering violent extremism objectives and consistent with all relevant constitutional, legal, and privacy protections.

(Sec. 103) DHS shall notify Congress of the number of employees of state, local, tribal, and territorial governments with security clearances sponsored by DHS, including a detailed list of the agencies that employ such employees, the level of clearance held, and whether such employees are assigned as representatives to fusion centers.

TITLE II--COUNTERMESSAGING TERRORIST ORGANIZATIONS

(Sec. 201) DHS shall incorporate the public testimonials of former extremists into its efforts to combat terrorist recruitment. Such efforts may include: (1) counter-messaging of foreign terrorist organization communications, and (2) related community engagement and public education efforts.

TITLE III--COUNTERTERRORISM ADVISORY BOARD

(Sec. 301) This title amends the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish in DHS a board to coordinate and integrate DHS's intelligence, activities, and policy related to its counterterrorism mission and functions. The board shall: (1) meet on a regular basis to discuss intelligence and coordinate ongoing threat mitigation efforts and departmental activities, and (2) advise the Secretary of DHS on the issuance of terrorism alerts. The Secretary shall appoint a Coordinator for Counterterrorism within DHS to serve as the chair of the board.

TITLE IV--PROHIBITION ON NEW FUNDING

(Sec. 401) No additional funds are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this bill.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 20, 2016:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
- **Jun 16, 2016:** Mr. McCaul moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Jun 16, 2016:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H3919-3925)
- **Jun 16, 2016:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 5471.
- **Jun 16, 2016:** 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.
- **Jun 16, 2016:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H3953)
- **Jun 16, 2016:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 402 - 15 (Roll no. 333).(text: CR H3919-3920)
- **Jun 16, 2016:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 402 - 15 (Roll no. 333). (text: CR H3919-3920)
- **Jun 16, 2016:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jun 14, 2016:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 14, 2016:** Referred to the House Committee on Homeland Security.