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Human Trafficking Detection Act of 2015

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
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Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 HR 460	Related bill	**May 14, 2015:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 82.

Summary (as of Mar 3, 2015)

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Directs the Secretary of Homeland Security (DHS) to implement a program to: (1) train relevant Transportation Security Administration, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, and other DHS personnel on the best way to effectively deter, detect, and disrupt human trafficking and to interdict suspected perpetrators during the course of their primary roles and responsibilities; and (2) ensure that such personnel regularly receive current information on matters related to the detection of human trafficking.

Permits training to be conducted through in-class or virtual learning capabilities. Requires such training to include:

- methods for identifying suspected victims and perpetrators of human trafficking,
- methods for approaching a suspected victim in a manner that is sensitive to the victim and not likely to alert a perpetrator,
- training that is most appropriate for a particular location or environment, and
- a post-training evaluation of trainees.

Directs the Secretary: (1) to reassess the training program annually; (2) within one year after enactment of this Act, to submit a certification to the appropriate congressional committees confirming that all such personnel have successfully completed the required training; and (3) to report annually on the overall effectiveness of the training program and on the number of cases reported by DHS personnel in which human trafficking was suspected and the number that were confirmed cases of human trafficking.

Authorizes the Secretary, upon request, to provide training curricula to assist any state, local, or tribal government or private organization to establish a training program to identify human trafficking.

Actions Timeline

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