

S 1595

Hizballah International Financing Prevention Amendments Act of 2018

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Rubio, Marco [R-FL]

Party: Republican • **State:** FL • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (39 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH]	D · NH		Jul 20, 2017
Sen. Boozman, John [R-AR]	R · AR		Jul 24, 2017
Sen. Crapo, Mike [R-ID]	R · ID		Jul 24, 2017
Sen. Cornyn, John [R-TX]	R · TX		Jul 26, 2017
Sen. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS]	R · MS		Jul 26, 2017
Sen. Perdue, David [R-GA]	R · GA		Jul 31, 2017
Sen. Capito, Shelley Moore [R-WV]	R · WV		Aug 1, 2017
Sen. Heller, Dean [R-NV]	R · NV		Aug 3, 2017
Sen. Kaine, Tim [D-VA]	D · VA		Sep 13, 2017
Sen. Gardner, Cory [R-CO]	R · CO		Sep 19, 2017
Sen. Kennedy, John [R-LA]	R · LA		Sep 19, 2017
Sen. Moran, Jerry [R-KS]	R · KS		Sep 19, 2017
Sen. Rounds, Mike [R-SD]	R · SD		Sep 19, 2017
Sen. Ernst, Joni [R-IA]	R · IA		Sep 26, 2017
Sen. Heitkamp, Heidi [D-ND]	D · ND		Sep 26, 2017
Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Sep 26, 2017
Sen. Tester, Jon [D-MT]	D · MT		Sep 27, 2017
Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]	D · OR		Sep 27, 2017
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Sep 28, 2017
Sen. Blunt, Roy [R-MO]	R · MO		Sep 28, 2017
Sen. Cruz, Ted [R-TX]	R · TX		Sep 28, 2017
Sen. Hoeven, John [R-ND]	R · ND		Sep 28, 2017
Sen. Roberts, Pat [R-KS]	R · KS		Sep 28, 2017
Sen. Sasse, Ben [R-NE]	R · NE		Sep 28, 2017
Sen. Barrasso, John [R-WY]	R · WY		Oct 3, 2017
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		Oct 3, 2017
Sen. Cotton, Tom [R-AR]	R · AR		Oct 3, 2017
Sen. Casey, Robert P., Jr. [D-PA]	D · PA		Oct 5, 2017
Sen. Coons, Christopher A. [D-DE]	D · DE		Oct 5, 2017
Sen. Donnelly, Joe [D-IN]	D · IN		Oct 5, 2017
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	D · IL		Oct 5, 2017
Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Oct 5, 2017
Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]	D · MN		Oct 5, 2017
Sen. Manchin, Joe, III [D-WV]	D · WV		Oct 5, 2017
Sen. Nelson, Bill [D-FL]	D · FL		Oct 5, 2017
Sen. Young, Todd [R-IN]	R · IN		Oct 5, 2017
Sen. Cortez Masto, Catherine [D-NV]	D · NV		Oct 16, 2017
Sen. Hassan, Margaret Wood [D-NH]	D · NH		Oct 16, 2017
Sen. Markey, Edward J. [D-MA]	D · MA		Oct 18, 2017

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Committee	Senate	Discharged From	Oct 5, 2017
Financial Services Committee	House	Referred To	Oct 12, 2017
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	Oct 12, 2017
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Oct 12, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

International Affairs

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 3329	Related bill	Oct 26, 2017: Received in the Senate. Read twice. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 253.

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This bill imposes sanctions and reporting requirements with respect to activities associated with Hezbollah.

The President shall impose sanctions on (1) any foreign individual or entity that knowingly provides significant financial, material, or technological support for certain Hezbollah-affiliated groups; and (2) foreign individuals or entities engaged in fundraising or recruitment activities for Hezbollah.

The sanctions shall include blocking property transactions, barring of entry into the United States, and revoking granted visas.

The President shall also impose property-blocking sanctions on (1) any agent or foreign state instrumentality that has knowingly supported or participated in combat operations with Hezbollah or provided significant financial support, arms, or related materiel to Hezbollah; and (2) affiliated networks of Hezbollah, including those affiliated through the commission of significant transnational criminal activities.

The President may waive sanctions required under this bill if it is in the U.S. national interest to do so.

The President shall instruct the Secretary of State to increase efforts to strengthen the capacity of foreign governments to prevent hostile activity by Iran and disrupt Hezbollah's illicit activities. Such efforts include diplomatic efforts to persuade governments to list Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and to help governments develop legislation and financial investigative capacity.

The President is authorized to require financial institutions in the United States to establish enhanced due diligence policies in relation to correspondent or payable through accounts for foreign financial institutions.

The bill imposes and modifies various reporting requirements related to Hezbollah, including reports to Congress on (1) certain foreign financial institutions that process various transactions related to Hezbollah, (2) racketeering activities involving Hezbollah and its affiliates, (3) Hezbollah's fundraising and international operational capabilities and information such as which countries consent to such activities within their borders, (4) the estimated net worth of senior Hezbollah members and their sources of income, and (5) members of the Lebanese Parliament who identify as Hezbollah members and the significant conduct of such individuals.

Actions Timeline

- **Oct 25, 2018:** Signed by President.
- **Oct 25, 2018:** Became Public Law No: 115-272.
- **Oct 23, 2018:** Presented to President.
- **Oct 12, 2018:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Oct 11, 2018:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S6880)
- **Oct 11, 2018:** Resolving differences -- Senate actions: Senate agreed to the House amendment to S. 1595 by Unanimous Consent.
- **Oct 11, 2018:** Senate agreed to the House amendment to S. 1595 by Unanimous Consent.
- **Sep 28, 2018:** Message on House action received in Senate and at desk: House amendment to Senate bill.
- **Sep 25, 2018:** Ms. Ros-Lehtinen moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Sep 25, 2018:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H8872-8878)
- **Sep 25, 2018:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on S. 1595.
- **Sep 25, 2018:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H8872-8876)
- **Sep 25, 2018:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H8872-8876)
- **Sep 25, 2018:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Oct 12, 2017:** Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary, and Financial Services, 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.
- **Oct 10, 2017:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Oct 10, 2017:** Received in the House.
- **Oct 10, 2017:** Held at the desk.
- **Oct 5, 2017:** Senate Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs discharged by Unanimous Consent.
- **Oct 5, 2017:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent.
- **Oct 5, 2017:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S6375)
- **Oct 5, 2017:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S6375)
- **Jul 20, 2017:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jul 20, 2017:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.