

HRES 268

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the trafficking of illicit fentanyl into the United States from Mexico and China.

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere. (May 18, 2017)

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 7, 2017
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	May 18, 2017
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	May 18, 2017
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 21, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

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International Affairs

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 SRES 83	Identical bill	Mar 15, 2017: Resolution agreed to in Senate without amendment and with a preamble by Unanimous Consent.
115 SRES 10	Identical bill	Jan 10, 2017: Referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

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 into the United States;
- 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

- **May 18, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific.
- **May 18, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere.
- **Apr 21, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations.
- **Apr 7, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Apr 6, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 6, 2017:** Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary, and Energy and Commerce, 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.