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Protecting and Securing Chemical Facilities from Terrorist Attacks Act of 2018

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Johnson, Ron [R-WI]

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

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Capito, Shelley Moore [R-WV]	R · WV		Oct 10, 2018
Sen. Daines, Steve [R-MT]	R · MT		Nov 13, 2018

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Reported By	Nov 26, 2018

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 6992	Related bill	Oct 17, 2018: Referred to the Subcommittee on Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Protection.

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This bill directs the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to reauthorize and make changes in its Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards (CFATS) program. The CFATS program regulates "high-risk" chemical facilities to reduce the risk of terrorist attacks.

The program shall evaluate and maintain (currently, limited to establishing) risk-based performance standards designed to address high levels of security risk at certain chemical facilities. The bill prohibits the inclusion of any standard relating to cybersecurity.

DHS shall: (1) establish a CFATS Recognition Program to leverage CFATS regulations and industry stewardship programs to further enhance security relating to hazardous chemicals, and (2) commission a third-party study to assess the effectiveness of the program in maintaining security risks and in developing and using appropriate metrics and analysis capabilities to measure risk reduction.

The Government Accountability Office shall report on CFATS inspector training with recommendations for improving such training.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 26, 2018:** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Reported by Senator Johnson with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 115-384.
- **Nov 26, 2018:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 670.
- **Sep 28, 2018:** Star Print ordered on the bill.
- **Sep 26, 2018:** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Sep 4, 2018:** Introduced in Senate
- **Sep 4, 2018:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.