

## HR 3548

Border Security for America Act of 2017

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Immigration

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Rep. Garrett, Thomas A., Jr. [R-VA-5]	R · VA		Sep 25, 2017
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Rep. Harper, Gregg [R-MS-3]	R · MS		Sep 25, 2017
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Rep. Zeldin, Lee M. [R-NY-1]	R · NY		Sep 25, 2017
Rep. Abraham, Ralph Lee [R-LA-5]	R · LA		Sep 26, 2017
Rep. McClintock, Tom [R-CA-4]	R · CA		Sep 26, 2017
Rep. Bishop, Mike [R-MI-8]	R · MI		Oct 2, 2017
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Rep. Kinzinger, Adam [R-IL-16]	R · IL		Oct 3, 2017
Rep. Noem, Kristi L. [R-SD-At Large]	R · SD		Oct 3, 2017
Rep. Rutherford, John H. [R-FL-4]	R · FL		Oct 3, 2017
Rep. Norman, Ralph [R-SC-5]	R · SC		Oct 4, 2017
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Rep. Banks, Jim [R-IN-3]	R · IN		Oct 12, 2017
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Rep. Rooney, Francis [R-FL-19]	R · FL		Nov 1, 2017

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Discharged From	Jan 10, 2018
Armed Services Committee	House	Discharged From	Mar 23, 2018
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Discharged From	Jan 10, 2018
Homeland Security Committee	House	Discharged from	Oct 4, 2017
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 15, 2017
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Discharged From	Jan 10, 2018
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 31, 2017
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Ways and Means Committee	House	Discharged From	Jan 10, 2018

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Immigration

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
<a href="#">115 HR 4760</a>	Related bill	<b>Jun 21, 2018:</b> Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
<a href="#">115 S 146</a>	Related bill	<b>Apr 16, 2018:</b> Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 379.
<a href="#">115 S 1757</a>	Related bill	<b>Sep 5, 2017:</b> Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 208.
<a href="#">115 HR 505</a>	Related bill	<b>Feb 1, 2017:</b> Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

## **Border Security for America Act of 2017**

This bill directs the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to: (1) achieve situational awareness and operational control of the southern border and develop infrastructure and technology to deter illegal border activity in high traffic areas, (2) deploy additional capabilities to specified border sectors, (3) submit a plan for using independent verification resources for border security technology, (4) establish a National Border Security Advisory Committee, (5) implement the Border Security Deployment Program, (6) establish a biometric exit data system, (7) submit a southern border threat analysis, and (8) begin eradicating the carrizo cane plant and any salt cedar along the Rio Grande River.

The bill provides for: (1) U.S. Border Patrol personnel increases and infrastructure improvements, (2) National Guard and Department of Defense border assistance, (3) Tunnel Task Forces to stop border tunnel breaches, and (4) a demonstration to deploy a rapid non-intrusive passenger vehicle inspection system at not fewer than three high-entry land ports along the U.S.-Mexico border.

The bill: (1) prohibits federal agency restrictions on U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) activities on federal land within 100 miles of the southern border; and (2) requires increases in immigration and law enforcement personnel and agricultural specialists, CBP training and continuing education, and electronic passport screening and biometric matching at airports of entry.

The Anti-Border Corruption Act of 2010 is amended to provide for hiring flexibility.

Operation Stonegarden is established as a DHS program to provide border security grants.

This bill authorizes DHS to construct new ports of entry along the northern and southern borders.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Mar 23, 2018:** Committee on Armed Services discharged.
- **Mar 23, 2018:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 471.
- **Jan 10, 2018:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Homeland Security. H. Rept. 115-505, Part I.
- **Jan 10, 2018:** Committee on Foreign Affairs discharged.
- **Jan 10, 2018:** Committee on Natural Resources discharged.
- **Jan 10, 2018:** Committee on Agriculture discharged.
- **Jan 10, 2018:** Committee on Transportation discharged.
- **Jan 10, 2018:** Committee on Ways and Means discharged.
- **Jan 10, 2018:** Committee on Oversight and Government discharged.
- **Jan 10, 2018:** House Committee on Armed Services Granted an extension for further consideration ending not later than March 23, 2018.
- **Oct 4, 2017:** Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security Discharged.
- **Oct 4, 2017:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Oct 4, 2017:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 18 - 12.
- **Aug 29, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security.
- **Aug 15, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Federal Lands.
- **Jul 31, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Aviation.
- **Jul 31, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation.
- **Jul 31, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management.
- **Jul 31, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.
- **Jul 31, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials.
- **Jul 31, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.
- **Jul 28, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 28, 2017:** Referred to the Committee on Homeland Security, and in addition to the Committees on Armed Services, Foreign Affairs, Natural Resources, Agriculture, Transportation and Infrastructure, Ways and Means, and Oversight and Government Reform, 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.