

HR 5869

Maritime Border Security Review Act

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Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee | Senate | Referred To | Sep 5, 2018 |
| Homeland Security Committee | House | Discharged from | Jul 24, 2018 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Emergency Management

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 115 HR 302 | Related bill | Oct 5, 2018: Became Public Law No: 115-254. |
| 115 S 3478 | Related bill | Sep 18, 2018: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. |

Maritime Border Security Review Act

(Sec. 3) This bill directs the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to submit to Congress a maritime border (i.e., the transit zone and the borders and territorial waters of Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands) threat analysis that includes an identification and description of:

- current and potential terrorism and criminal threats posed by individuals and groups seeking to enter the United States through the maritime border or exploit border vulnerabilities on the maritime border;
- improvements needed at U.S. seaports to prevent terrorists and instruments of terror from entering the United States and reduce criminal activity, as measured by the total flow of illegal goods and illicit drugs, related to the maritime border;
- improvements needed with respect to the maritime border to prevent terrorists and instruments of terror from entering the United States and reduce criminal activity related to the maritime border;
- vulnerabilities in law, policy, cooperation between state, territorial, and local law enforcement, or international agreements that hinder effective and efficient border security, counterterrorism, anti-human trafficking efforts, and the flow of legitimate trade relating to the maritime border; and
- metrics and performance parameters used by DHS to evaluate maritime security effectiveness.

In preparing the threat analysis, DHS shall consider and examine:

- technology and personnel needs and challenges;
- the role of state, territorial, and local law enforcement in general border security activities;
- the need for cooperation among federal, state, territorial, local, and appropriate international law enforcement entities relating to border security;
- the geographic challenges of the maritime border; and
- the impact and consequences of Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, Maria, and Nate on general border security activities relating to the maritime border.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 5, 2018:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
- **Sep 4, 2018:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Homeland Security. H. Rept. 115-918.
- **Sep 4, 2018:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 713.
- **Sep 4, 2018:** Mr. Katko moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Sep 4, 2018:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR S7796-7799)
- **Sep 4, 2018:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 5869.
- **Sep 4, 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 H7796)
- **Sep 4, 2018:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H7796)
- **Sep 4, 2018:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jul 24, 2018:** Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security Discharged.
- **Jul 24, 2018:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jul 24, 2018:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Unanimous Consent.
- **Jun 4, 2018:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security.
- **May 17, 2018:** Introduced in House
- **May 17, 2018:** Referred to the House Committee on Homeland Security.