

HR 6229

National Institute of Standards and Technology Reauthorization Act of 2018

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • **State:** VA • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (11 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Biggs, Andy [R-AZ-5]	R · AZ		Jun 26, 2018
Rep. Johnson, Eddie Bernice [D-TX-30]	D · TX		Jun 26, 2018
Rep. Knight, Stephen [R-CA-25]	R · CA		Jun 26, 2018
Rep. Lesko, Debbie [R-AZ-8]	R · AZ		Jun 26, 2018
Rep. Lipinski, Daniel [D-IL-3]	D · IL		Jun 26, 2018
Rep. Lucas, Frank D. [R-OK-3]	R · OK		Jun 26, 2018
Rep. Marshall, Roger [R-KS-1]	R · KS		Jun 26, 2018
Rep. Rohrabacher, Dana [R-CA-48]	R · CA		Jun 26, 2018
Rep. Smith, Lamar [R-TX-21]	R · TX		Jun 26, 2018
Rep. Weber, Randy K., Sr. [R-TX-14]	R · TX		Jun 26, 2018
Rep. Balderson, Troy [R-OH-12]	R · OH		Sep 25, 2018

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	Sep 26, 2018
Science, Space, and Technology Committee	House	Reported By	Sep 25, 2018

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

National Institute of Standards and Technology Reauthorization Act of 2018

This bill reauthorizes the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) through FY2019.

NIST shall carry out specified quantum information science and technology activities and convene a workshop to discuss the development of quantum information science.

NIST shall:

- enhance and expand its guidance and assistance to federal agencies in helping them to effectively use its Framework for Improving Critical Infrastructure Cybersecurity;
- expand fundamental and applied research to address key questions related to the measurement of privacy, security, and vulnerability of software tools and communications networks; and
- implement the recommendations in the December 2017 Road Mapping Workshop Report on Overcoming Barriers to Adoption of Composites in Sustainable Infrastructure.

NIST shall continue to:

- support the development of artificial intelligence and data science; and
- conduct research on the expanded connectivity, interoperability, and security of interconnected systems and other aspects of the Internet of things.

The bill grants NIST the authority to appoint scientific, engineering, and professional personnel regardless of the civil service laws to carry out research and development that requires the services of personnel who are specially qualified.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 26, 2018:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
- **Sep 25, 2018:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. H. Rept. 115-977.
- **Sep 25, 2018:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 764.
- **Sep 25, 2018:** Mrs. Comstock moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Sep 25, 2018:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H8865-8868)
- **Sep 25, 2018:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 6229.
- **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 H8865-8866)
- **Sep 25, 2018:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H8865-8866)
- **Sep 25, 2018:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jun 27, 2018:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jun 27, 2018:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Jun 26, 2018:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 26, 2018:** Referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.