

## HR 6462

Border Zone Reasonableness Restoration Act of 2018

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Immigration

**Introduced:** Jul 19, 2018

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Border Security.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Border Security. (Sep 19, 2018)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Welch, Peter [D-VT-At Large]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** VT • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors (7 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. DelBene, Suzan K. [D-WA-1]	D · WA		Jul 19, 2018
Rep. Gutierrez, Luis V. [D-IL-4]	D · IL		Jul 19, 2018
Rep. McGovern, James P. [D-MA-2]	D · MA		Jul 19, 2018
Rep. Pingree, Chellie [D-ME-1]	D · ME		Jul 19, 2018
Rep. Shea-Porter, Carol [D-NH-1]	D · NH		Jul 19, 2018
Rep. Jayapal, Pramila [D-WA-7]	D · WA		Aug 10, 2018
Rep. Kuster, Ann M. [D-NH-2]	D · NH		Aug 21, 2018

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 1, 2018
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Sep 19, 2018

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Immigration

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 S 3162	Identical bill	<b>Jun 28, 2018:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (Sponsor introductory remarks on measure: CR S4737-4738)

## **Border Zone Reasonableness Restoration Act of 2018**

This bill revises the border zone area in which Department of Homeland Security (DHS) officers may take certain immigration-related actions without a warrant.

The Immigration and Nationality Act is amended to permit DHS officers to take the following actions without a warrant in order to patrol the border and prevent the illegal entry of persons:

- board and search any vessel within U.S. territorial waters and any railway car, aircraft, conveyance, or vehicle within 25 air miles from an external U.S. boundary (a vehicle may not be stopped at a fixed checkpoint beyond 10 air miles from such boundary without reasonable suspicion that an occupant is illegally in the United States); and
- access private lands, but not dwellings, within 10 air miles from such boundary.

DHS may establish, and shall certify to Congress, that: (1) a distance of up to 100 air miles is required in a sector for conveyance searches, and (2) a distance of up to 25 air miles is required in a sector for private land access. In making such certifications DHS shall consider reasons such as land topography, transportation, or consultations with state, local, and tribal governments.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Sep 19, 2018:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Border Security.
- **Aug 1, 2018:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security.
- **Jul 19, 2018:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 19, 2018:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Homeland Security, 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.