

HR 6740

Border Tunnel Task Force Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Immigration

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. McCaul, Michael T. [R-TX-10]	R · TX		Sep 7, 2018
Rep. Sinema, Kyrsten [D-AZ-9]	D · AZ		Sep 25, 2018

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Sep 26, 2018
Homeland Security Committee	House	Reported By	Sep 25, 2018

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Immigration

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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(Sec. 2) This bill amends the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to direct the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to establish border tunnel task forces in jurisdictions in which such task forces can contribute to border security missions after evaluating: (1) whether the areas in which they would be established are significantly impacted by cross-border threats; and (2) the availability of federal, state, local, and tribal law enforcement resources to participate in such task forces.

The purpose of the task forces is to enhance and integrate border security efforts by addressing and reducing cross-border tunnel related threats and violence by facilitating collaboration among law enforcement agencies and enhancing information sharing among such agencies.

DHS shall:

- ensure that the task forces do not unnecessarily duplicate the efforts of other existing interagency task forces or centers within such jurisdiction,
- establish targets and performance measures for the task forces that include consideration of whether border barriers impact cross-border tunnel threats,
- direct leadership of each task force to monitor progress on such targets and performance measures for each such task force, and
- periodically report to the congressional homeland security committees regarding progress on such targets and performance measures.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 26, 2018:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
- **Sep 25, 2018:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Homeland Security. H. Rept. 115-962.
- **Sep 25, 2018:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 750.
- **Sep 25, 2018:** Mr. McCaul moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Sep 25, 2018:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H8748-8750)
- **Sep 25, 2018:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 6740.
- **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 H8748)
- **Sep 25, 2018:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H8748)
- **Sep 25, 2018:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Sep 13, 2018:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Sep 13, 2018:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Unanimous Consent.
- **Sep 7, 2018:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 7, 2018:** Referred to the House Committee on Homeland Security.