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Eastern Mediterranean Security and Energy Partnership Act of 2019

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]

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

Cosponsors (14 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Rubio, Marco [R-FL]	R · FL		Apr 10, 2019
Sen. Van Hollen, Chris [D-MD]	D · MD		May 6, 2019
Sen. Peters, Gary C. [D-MI]	D · MI		Jun 4, 2019
Sen. Coons, Christopher A. [D-DE]	D · DE		Jun 5, 2019
Sen. Cruz, Ted [R-TX]	R · TX		Jun 25, 2019
Sen. Cramer, Kevin [R-ND]	R · ND		Jul 9, 2019
Sen. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS]	R · MS		Jul 11, 2019
Sen. Boozman, John [R-AR]	R · AR		Jul 15, 2019
Sen. Scott, Rick [R-FL]	R · FL		Jul 15, 2019
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	D · IL		Jul 16, 2019
Sen. McSally, Martha [R-AZ]	R · AZ		Jul 23, 2019
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		Jul 31, 2019
Sen. Hoeven, John [R-ND]	R · ND		Aug 1, 2019
Sen. Booker, Cory A. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Nov 5, 2019

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Relations Committee	Senate	Reported By	Jul 10, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 1865	Related bill	Dec 20, 2019: Became Public Law No: 116-94.
116 HR 4558	Related bill	Sep 27, 2019: Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.
116 HR 2913	Related bill	Jun 26, 2019: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
116 HR 3263	Related bill	Jun 13, 2019: Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on Financial Services, Oversight and Reform, Ways and Means, and the Judiciary, 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.
116 HR 2512	Related bill	May 2, 2019: Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on Financial Services, Oversight and Reform, Ways and Means, and the Judiciary, 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.
116 S 922	Related bill	Mar 28, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

Summary (as of Jul 10, 2019)

Eastern Mediterranean Security and Energy Partnership Act of 2019

This bill authorizes the Department of State to enter into cooperative agreements to enhance cooperation on energy matters between the United States and Israel, Greece, and Cyprus. The Department of Energy may establish a joint U.S.-Eastern Mediterranean Energy Center in the United States to further dialogue and academic cooperation in energy innovation technology, water science, and technology transfer.

An existing ban on transferring defense articles and services on the U.S. Munitions List to Cyprus is modified to allow for such transfers if Cyprus is the end user of the articles or services. Specifically, the State Department shall not deny exports, reexports or transfers of defense articles and services to or from Cyprus if the request is made by or on behalf of Cyprus and if Cyprus is the end user of such articles or services.

No funds may be obligated or expended to facilitate the transfer of an F-35 aircraft (or to provide any related items or data) to Turkey unless the President certifies to Congress that Turkey does not plan to accept delivery of the S-400 air defense system from Russia.

The State Department shall report on (1) a strategy for enhancing security and energy cooperation with Eastern Mediterranean countries, (2) malign Russian influence in the region, and (3) violations of Cyprus's exclusive economic zone and Greece's airspace.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 10, 2019:** Committee on Foreign Relations. Reported by Senator Risch with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. Without written report.
- **Jul 10, 2019:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 142.
- **Jun 25, 2019:** Committee on Foreign Relations. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Apr 10, 2019:** Introduced in Senate
- **Apr 10, 2019:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.