

## HR 192

### Trans-Sahara Counterterrorism Partnership Act

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**Chamber:** House

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## Sponsor

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Rep. Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [R-PA-1]	R · PA		Jan 8, 2019
Rep. Schiff, Adam B. [D-CA-28]	D · CA		Jan 8, 2019
Rep. Sherman, Brad [D-CA-30]	D · CA		Jan 8, 2019
Rep. Hudson, Richard [R-NC-8]	R · NC		Jan 10, 2019

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	Jan 3, 2019
Foreign Relations Committee	Senate	Reported By	Jun 3, 2020

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

International Affairs

## Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

## **Trans-Sahara Counterterrorism Partnership Program Act of 2020**

This bill provides statutory authority for the Trans-Sahara Counterterrorism Partnership Program, an interagency program launched in 2005 to partner with countries in the Sahel and Maghreb regions of Africa to counter terrorism and violent extremism.

The Department of State, in consultation with the Department of Defense and the U.S. Agency for International Development, shall establish the partnership program, which must coordinate all U.S. programs in North and West Africa related to various counterterrorism activities, such as building foreign-military capacity, enhancing border security, promoting youth employment, and supporting independent media to counter terrorist propaganda.

The State Department must submit comprehensive, five-year strategies that include specified activities for the Sahel and Maghreb regions and for program counterterrorism efforts. Further, program activities must, among other things (1) be carried out in countries where there is an adequate level of partner country commitment, and (2) have clearly defined outcomes and specific plans with indicators to regularly monitor and evaluate outcomes and impact. Such activities must also take into account the counterterrorism and development strategies of partner countries and align with such strategies to the extent possible.

The State Department shall notify Congress before obligating funds for such programs, and must submit annual reports about program activities.

### **Actions Timeline**

- **Jun 3, 2020:** Committee on Foreign Relations. Reported by Senator Risch with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. Without written report.
- **Jun 3, 2020:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 475.
- **May 21, 2020:** Committee on Foreign Relations. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Jan 11, 2019:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
- **Jan 10, 2019:** Mr. Engel moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Jan 10, 2019:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H432-434)
- **Jan 10, 2019:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 192.
- **Jan 10, 2019:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H432-433)
- **Jan 10, 2019:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H432-433)
- **Jan 10, 2019:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jan 3, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 3, 2019:** Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.