

HR 3071

Stop Higher Education Espionage and Theft Act of 2019

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Jun 3, 2019
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	Jun 3, 2019
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 28, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 1701	Identical bill	Jun 3, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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This bill establishes a process for designating foreign actors as foreign intelligence threats to higher education.

Specifically, the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) must designate a foreign actor as a foreign intelligence threat to higher education if the foreign actor has committed, attempted to commit, or conspired to commit certain actions in connection with an institution of higher education (IHE), such as espionage, misuse of visas, or theft of trade secrets. Prior to making such a designation, FBI must submit notice to congressional leaders and the Department of Justice.

Upon the designation of a foreign actor as such a threat, the Department of State must revoke the nonimmigrant visa issued to such foreign actor present in the United States, and the Department of Homeland Security must initiate removal proceedings against the foreign actor.

The bill provides for judicial review and a process for revoking a foreign actor's designation as such a threat.

It also requires an IHE to disclose to the Department of Education any gift or contract with a foreign intelligence threat, including the fair market value of the gift or contract.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 28, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- **Jun 3, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 3, 2019:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Education and Labor, and Foreign Affairs, 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.

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