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America LEADS Act

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Sen. Merkley, Jeff [D-OR]	D · OR		Sep 23, 2020
Sen. Cortez Masto, Catherine [D-NV]	D · NV		Dec 10, 2020

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Relations Committee	Senate	Referred To	Sep 17, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 3952	Related bill	Dec 21, 2020: Held at the desk.
116 S 945	Related bill	Dec 18, 2020: Became Public Law No: 116-222.
116 HR 7980	Related bill	Aug 7, 2020: Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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 4493	Related bill	Aug 6, 2020: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
116 HR 7601	Related bill	Jul 13, 2020: Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.
116 S 939	Related bill	Jun 15, 2020: Held at the desk.
116 HR 7000	Related bill	May 22, 2020: Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.
116 HR 5932	Related bill	Mar 3, 2020: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
116 HR 4331	Related bill	Jan 30, 2020: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
116 HR 4551	Related bill	Sep 27, 2019: Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.
116 S 2539	Related bill	Sep 24, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
116 S 1824	Related bill	Jun 12, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
116 S 592	Related bill	Jun 11, 2019: Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 116-118.
116 S 1558	Related bill	May 21, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
116 HR 2202	Related bill	Apr 10, 2019: Referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

America Labor, Economic competitiveness, Alliances, Democracy and Security Act or the America LEADS Act

This bill addresses science and technology development, global infrastructure, U.S. manufacturing, foreign relations, and other topics.

Provisions of the bill include those

- authorizing through FY2025 various federal research and development activities;
- requiring the Department of State to take actions to advance the development and adoption of quality global infrastructure;
- requiring the use of domestically produced aluminum in certain federal projects;
- requiring the Department of Defense (DOD), the Department of the Treasury, and the Department of Commerce to take actions to encourage the development and production of measurably secure microelectronics and semiconductors;
- expanding disclosure requirements for U.S. institutions of higher education that receive foreign gifts;
- authorizing various programs to support science, technology, engineering, and mathematics training, as well as language skills education;
- requiring the President to impose sanctions to combat malign behavior by China's government and related persons;
- authorizing annual contributions to the World Bank's Clean Technology Fund and the United Nations's Green Climate Fund;
- prohibiting the use of federal funds to withdraw or reduce the presence of the Armed Forces or DOD in Japan or South Korea;
- prioritizing the transfer of excess defense articles to certain allies in the Indo-Pacific region;
- authorizing the State Department to provide assistance to increase maritime security in the Indo-Pacific region;
- authorizing the United States to cofinance infrastructure projects that would otherwise be included within China's Belt and Road initiative;
- requiring the President to establish a Special Representative for the Arctic; and
- providing priority refugee status to certain residents of Hong Kong or Xinjiang.

Actions Timeline

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