

## S 4691

### Safeguarding Awards for Victims and Enforcement Settlements Act of 2020

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Law

**Introduced:** Sep 24, 2020

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. (Sep 24, 2020)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Lankford, James [R-OK]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** OK • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Cornyn, John [R-TX]	R · TX		Sep 24, 2020
Sen. Inhofe, James M. [R-OK]	R · OK		Sep 24, 2020
Sen. Tillis, Thomas [R-NC]	R · NC		Sep 24, 2020

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Sep 24, 2020

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Law

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of Sep 24, 2020)

#### Safeguarding Awards for Victims and Enforcement Settlements Act of 2020

This bill imposes limitations on settlement agreements to which the United States is a party.

With certain exceptions, the United States may not enter into a settlement agreement requiring a payment or loan to an individual or to an entity other than the United States. Exceptions to this prohibition include payments or loans that (1) are intended to directly remedy the harm caused by the paying party and suffered by the recipient, (2) are for services rendered in connection with the case, and (3) are going to a third party for claims against that same third party.

## Actions Timeline

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