

## HR 4892

### Homeland Security Counterintelligence Threat Reduction Act

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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security Committee	House	Referred to	Nov 14, 2019
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### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 6916	Related bill	<b>Jun 1, 2020:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Intelligence and Counterterrorism.
116 S 2728	Identical bill	<b>Oct 29, 2019:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

## **Homeland Security Counterintelligence Threat Reduction Act**

This bill directs the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to take various actions related to counterintelligence activities.

DHS shall establish a counterintelligence vetting task force to report to Congress recommendations to improve counterintelligence vetting for DHS programs.

DHS shall also develop counterintelligence awareness training as part of an established program for collecting information about nonimmigrant foreign students and other exchange program participants. DHS shall require appropriate faculty from approved educational institutions and exchange visitor programs to participate in the training.

DHS shall take various actions related to the program for collecting information about exchange program participants, such as identifying degrees and fields of study that are sensitive for homeland security and counterintelligence purposes.

DHS shall notify Congress if it decides to not extend the existence of the Homeland Security Academic Advisory Council.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Nov 14, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Intelligence and Counterterrorism.
- **Nov 14, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Oversight, Management, and Accountability.
- **Oct 28, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Oct 28, 2019:** Referred to the House Committee on Homeland Security.