

HR 5949

National Instant Criminal Background Check System (NICS) Data Integrity Act of 2020

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Committee Activity

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 3815	Related bill	May 21, 2020: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
116 HR 1324	Related bill	Mar 25, 2019: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.

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This bill modifies requirements governing the national instant criminal background check system (NICS).

Specifically, it allows the NICS to retain records related to a firearms-related background check for as long as necessary to make a final determination of firearms eligibility.

Additionally, it requires the NICS to query an additional database—the National Data Exchange—as part of a firearm-related background check.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 10, 2020:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- **Feb 21, 2020:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 21, 2020:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.