

HR 630

Counterterrorism Screening and Assistance Act of 2019

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. McCaul, Michael T. [R-TX-10]	R · TX		Jan 16, 2019
Rep. Rose, Max [D-NY-11]	D · NY		Jan 16, 2019
Rep. Phillips, Dean [D-MN-3]	D · MN		Dec 17, 2019
Rep. Sherman, Brad [D-CA-30]	D · CA		Dec 17, 2019

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Markup By	Dec 18, 2019
Homeland Security Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 4, 2019
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Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 4, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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This bill directs the Department of State to report biennially on U.S. initiatives to build capacity in foreign countries to prevent travel by terrorists and foreign fighters, and accelerates programs to share equipment with countries to prevent such travel.

The report shall include (1) an assessment of the countries of greatest concern, (2) data such as the number of flights from such countries to the United States, (3) information on existing U.S. programs to build capacity to prevent travel by terrorists in those countries, and (4) a plan for prioritizing U.S. resources toward the countries of greatest concern.

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) shall accelerate provisions to foreign governments of (1) U.S. Customs and Border Protection's global travel targeting and analysis systems and (2) the State Department's watch-listing, identification, and screening systems. DHS may provide equipment, training, and maintenance services related to such systems. DHS shall notify Congress when it provides such equipment to a foreign government, along with information such as the specific risk that will be mitigated by the system and the total dollar value of the equipment provided.

The bill directs the State Department to report to Congress each year on countries that fail to meet minimum standards to combat terrorist and foreign fighter travel. The State Department is authorized to suspend certain foreign assistance to countries that do not make significant efforts to meet such standards.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 18, 2019:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Dec 18, 2019:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Unanimous Consent.
- **Mar 4, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship.
- **Feb 4, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Border Security, Facilitation, and Operations.
- **Feb 4, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Intelligence and Counterterrorism.
- **Jan 16, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 16, 2019:** Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on Homeland Security, and the Judiciary, 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.