

HR 8772

Missing Persons and Unidentified Remains Act of 2020

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

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Current Status: Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Homeland Security, if

Latest Action: Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Homeland Security, 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. (Nov 18, 2020)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Gonzalez, Vicente [D-TX-15]

Party: Democratic • **State:** TX • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (6 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Hurd, Will [R-TX-23]	R · TX		Nov 18, 2020
Rep. Tlaib, Rashida [D-MI-13]	D · MI		Dec 2, 2020
Rep. Vela, Filemon [D-TX-34]	D · TX		Dec 2, 2020
Rep. Escobar, Veronica [D-TX-16]	D · TX		Dec 3, 2020
Rep. Garcia, Sylvia R. [D-TX-29]	D · TX		Dec 9, 2020
Rep. Weber, Randy K., Sr. [R-TX-14]	R · TX		Dec 17, 2020

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security Committee	House	Referred To	Nov 18, 2020
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Nov 18, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 2174	Related bill	Dec 31, 2020: Became Public Law No: 116-277.

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This bill revises the authority for state grants to improve the reporting of unidentified and missing persons.

Specifically, the bill

- authorizes grants to be used for additional activities (e.g., transportation of missing persons and unidentified remains), including with respect to migrants; and
- expands eligible entities.

The bill also requires the U.S. Customs and Border Protection to deploy rescue beacons along the southern border to mitigate migrant deaths.

Actions Timeline

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