

S 1473

SAFEGUARD Act of 2021

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: International Affairs

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Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (Apr 29, 2021)

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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • **State:** NJ • **Chamber:** Senate

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Sen. Kaine, Tim [D-VA]	D · VA		Apr 29, 2021
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	D · VT		Apr 29, 2021
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA		Apr 29, 2021
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Relations Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 29, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

International Affairs

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 5629	Related bill	Oct 19, 2021: Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, 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.

Safeguarding Human Rights in Arms Exports Act of 2021 or the SAFEGUARD Act of 2021

This bill establishes specified measures to prevent the sale, export, or transfer of defense articles or defense services to foreign countries for use in violation of international humanitarian law or internationally recognized human rights.

These measures include (1) prohibiting arms sales to countries committing genocide or war crimes, (2) requiring a consideration of human rights practices and democratization in any foreign country to which an arms sale is contemplated, and (3) providing for congressional oversight of arms exports to foreign countries wherein certain human rights violations have occurred.

Actions Timeline

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