

## S 2273

### Keep the Watchdogs Running Act

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Government Operations and Politics

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**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. (Jun 24, 2021)

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### Sponsor

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Sen. Hassan, Margaret Wood [D-NH]	D · NH		Nov 1, 2021
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Sen. Capito, Shelley Moore [R-WV]	R · WV		Jul 28, 2022
Sen. Grassley, Chuck [R-IA]	R · IA		Jul 28, 2022
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Sen. Baldwin, Tammy [D-WI]	D · WI		Aug 3, 2022
Sen. Barrasso, John [R-WY]	R · WY		Aug 3, 2022
Sen. Coons, Christopher A. [D-DE]	D · DE		Aug 3, 2022
Sen. Lummis, Cynthia M. [R-WY]	R · WY		Aug 3, 2022
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		Sep 7, 2022
Sen. Kelly, Mark [D-AZ]	D · AZ		Sep 8, 2022

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 24, 2021

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 4125	Identical bill	<b>Jul 20, 2021:</b> Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.

## **Keep the Watchdogs Running Act**

This bill authorizes a federal office of inspector general (OIG) to continue performing its duties during a lapse in appropriations (i.e., government shutdown).

During a lapse in appropriations, the OIG may obligate funds (1) at the rate of operations and under the terms and conditions provided in the most recently enacted appropriations act, and (2) to perform its duties with respect to any program that continues during the lapse in appropriations.

## **Actions Timeline**

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