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Arctic Security Initiative Act of 2021

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Sponsor

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. King, Angus S., Jr. [I-ME]	I · ME		Jun 24, 2021
Sen. Cramer, Kevin [R-ND]	R · ND		Jul 14, 2021
Sen. Hassan, Margaret Wood [D-NH]	D · NH		Jul 14, 2021
Sen. Hoeven, John [R-ND]	R · ND		Jul 14, 2021
Sen. Murkowski, Lisa [R-AK]	R · AK		Jul 14, 2021
Sen. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS]	R · MS		Jul 14, 2021
Sen. Rubio, Marco [R-FL]	R · FL		Jul 29, 2021

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 24, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 4135	Identical bill	<b>Jun 24, 2021:</b> Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, 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.

## **Arctic Security Initiative Act of 2021**

This bill requires the Department of Defense (DOD) to conduct an assessment and implement a program related to national security interests in the Arctic region.

Specifically, the Commander of the United States Northern Command of DOD must consult and coordinate with specified defense entities to conduct an independent assessment with respect to the activities and resources required for FY2023-FY2027 to achieve specified objectives related to national security interests in the Arctic region.

The assessment must focus on the activities and resources required to achieve the following objectives:

- the implementation of the National Defense Strategy and military service-specific strategies with respect to the Arctic region;
- the maintenance or restoration of the comparative military advantage of the United States in response to great power competitors in the Arctic region;
- the reduction of the risk of executing operation and contingency plans of DOD; and
- to maximize execution of DOD operation and contingency plans, in the event deterrence fails.

Additionally, DOD must establish the Arctic Security Initiative program to enhance security in the Arctic region, to be informed by the assessment required by this bill. DOD must annually submit an unclassified future years plan, which may include a classified annex, for the activities and resources of the program that includes specified elements (e.g., a detailed time line for achieving requirements). The plan must also be included in budget materials submitted by DOD in support of the budget of the President for FY2023.

## **Actions Timeline**

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