

HR 2856

Oversight of Law Enforcement Surveillance Act of 2021

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Oct 19, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Apr 26, 2021)

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This bill establishes reporting requirements related to the use of surveillance technology by law enforcement agencies in major metropolitan areas. The term *major metropolitan area* means an area with at least 250,000 residents.

Specifically, the bill requires a law enforcement agency of a major metropolitan area receiving federal funds from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to report annually to DHS, the Inspector General of DHS, and Congress on the use of surveillance technology.

Additionally, the bill requires the Inspector General of DHS to report annually to Congress on the use of surveillance technology and the impact of its use on civil liberties and privacy.

Actions Timeline

- **Oct 19, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship.
- **Apr 26, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 26, 2021:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.