

S 2991

Countering Human Trafficking Act of 2021

Congress: 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

Introduced: Oct 18, 2021

Current Status: Became Public Law No: 117-322.

Latest Action: Became Public Law No: 117-322. (Dec 27, 2022)

Law: 117-322 (Enacted Dec 27, 2022)

Official Text: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/senate-bill/2991>

Sponsor

Name: Sen. Peters, Gary C. [D-MI]

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

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Portman, Rob [R-OH]	R · OH		Oct 18, 2021
Sen. Hassan, Margaret Wood [D-NH]	D · NH		Feb 17, 2022
Sen. Kelly, Mark [D-AZ]	D · AZ		Feb 17, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Reported By	Feb 14, 2022

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 6736	Related bill	Nov 1, 2022: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.

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This act provides statutory authority for the Center for Countering Human Trafficking (CCHT) within the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). The CCHT coordinates DHS efforts to combat human trafficking and the importation of goods produced with forced labor.

The act requires the CCHT to develop a strategy to improve the systems and processes used throughout DHS to combat human trafficking and the importation of goods produced with forced labor.

The act transfers the functions and resources of the Blue Campaign (i.e., the national public awareness effort to combat human trafficking) to the CCHT. DHS may also transfer to the CCHT any other component, directorate, or office of the department related to combating human trafficking.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 27, 2022:** Signed by President.
- **Dec 27, 2022:** Became Public Law No: 117-322.
- **Dec 23, 2022:** Presented to President.
- **Dec 14, 2022:** Mr. Nadler moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Dec 14, 2022:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H9823-9826)
- **Dec 14, 2022:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on S. 2991.
- **Dec 14, 2022:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote.
- **Dec 14, 2022:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H9823-9824)
- **Dec 14, 2022:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Apr 7, 2022:** Star Print ordered on the reported bill.
- **Apr 7, 2022:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Apr 7, 2022:** Received in the House.
- **Apr 7, 2022:** Held at the desk.
- **Apr 6, 2022:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S2054-2056)
- **Apr 6, 2022:** The committee substitute withdrawn by Unanimous Consent. (CR S2055)
- **Apr 6, 2022:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **Apr 6, 2022:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent. (text of amendment in the nature of a substitute: CR S2055-2056)
- **Feb 14, 2022:** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Reported by Senator Peters with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 117-73.
- **Feb 14, 2022:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 272.
- **Nov 3, 2021:** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Oct 18, 2021:** Introduced in Senate
- **Oct 18, 2021:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.