

HR 4426

Homeland Security for Children Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Emergency Management

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (6 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Clarke, Yvette D. [D-NY-9]	D · NY		Jul 13, 2021
Rep. Langevin, James R. [D-RI-2]	D · RI		Jul 13, 2021
Rep. Luria, Elaine G. [D-VA-2]	D · VA		Jul 13, 2021
Rep. Swalwell, Eric [D-CA-15]	D · CA		Jul 13, 2021
Rep. Thompson, Bennie G. [D-MS-2]	D · MS		Jul 13, 2021
Rep. Watson Coleman, Bonnie [D-NJ-12]	D · NJ		Jul 13, 2021

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Reported By	Apr 27, 2022
Homeland Security Committee	House	Discharged from	Jul 29, 2021
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 14, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Emergency Management

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Homeland Security for Children Act

This bill requires the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to ensure that the needs of children are considered in homeland security planning.

Specifically, each DHS office and component must take into account the needs of children, including children within underserved communities, in mission planning and execution. DHS must require each office and component to seek advice and feedback from organizations representing the needs of children.

The bill directs the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to identify and integrate the needs of children into activities to prepare for, protect against, respond to, recover from, and mitigate against the risk of natural disasters, acts of terrorism, and other disasters, including by appointing a technical expert to coordinate such integration.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 6, 2022:** Signed by President.
- **Jun 6, 2022:** Became Public Law No: 117-130.
- **May 26, 2022:** Presented to President.
- **May 17, 2022:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **May 16, 2022:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **May 16, 2022:** Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S2516)
- **Apr 27, 2022:** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Reported by Senator Peters without amendment. With written report No. 117-100.
- **Apr 27, 2022:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 351.
- **Nov 3, 2021:** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Sep 30, 2021:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
- **Sep 29, 2021:** Mr. Thompson (MS) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Sep 29, 2021:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H5539-5541)
- **Sep 29, 2021:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 4426.
- **Sep 29, 2021:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H5539-5540)
- **Sep 29, 2021:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H5539-5540)
- **Sep 29, 2021:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jul 28, 2021:** Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Recovery Discharged.
- **Jul 28, 2021:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jul 28, 2021:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Jul 14, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management.
- **Jul 14, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Recovery.
- **Jul 13, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 13, 2021:** Referred to the Committee on Homeland Security, and in addition to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, 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.