

## S 4444

### Safeguarding Awards for Victims and Enforcement Settlements Act of 2022

**Congress:** 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Law

**Introduced:** Jun 22, 2022

**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 22, 2022)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/senate-bill/4444>

#### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Lankford, James [R-OK]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** OK • **Chamber:** Senate

#### Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Inhofe, James M. [R-OK]	R · OK		Jun 22, 2022
Sen. Tillis, Thomas [R-NC]	R · NC		Jun 22, 2022
Sen. Cornyn, John [R-TX]	R · TX		Jul 11, 2022

#### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 22, 2022

#### Subjects & Policy Tags

##### Policy Area:

Law

#### Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

#### Summary (as of Jun 22, 2022)

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This bill prohibits the federal government from entering into or enforcing a settlement agreement on behalf of the United States that provides for a payment to any person or entity other than the United States that is not a party to a dispute. The bill provides exceptions to allow certain payments, including those that (1) remedy actual harm (including to the environment) caused by the party making the payment, and (2) constitute a payment for services rendered in connection with the case.

## **Actions Timeline**

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