

## S 5164

### HARM Act

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** International Affairs

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**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (Dec 1, 2022)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS]

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

### Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Cardin, Benjamin L. [D-MD]	D · MD		Dec 1, 2022
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Dec 8, 2022
Sen. Graham, Lindsey [R-SC]	R · SC		Dec 8, 2022
Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH]	D · NH		Dec 21, 2022
Sen. Tillis, Thomas [R-NC]	R · NC		Dec 21, 2022

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Relations Committee	Senate	Referred To	Dec 1, 2022

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

International Affairs

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 9381	Identical bill	<b>Dec 1, 2022:</b> Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.

## **Holding Accountable Russian Mercenaries Act or the HARM Act**

This bill requires the Department of State to designate the PMC Wagner Group as a foreign terrorist organization. Such designation also applies to any affiliated and successor entities undertaking malign activities against the United States and its allies or partners.

(Among other things, such a designation allows the Department of the Treasury to require financial institutions to block transactions involving the organization.)

The President may waive the application of sanctions against these entities if the President determines it to be in the national interest.

## **Actions Timeline**

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