

HR 5629

SAFEGUARD Act of 2021

Congress: 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Foreign Trade and International Finance

Introduced: Oct 19, 2021

Current Status: Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period

Latest Action: Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, 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. (Oct 19, 2021)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Meeks, Gregory W. [D-NY-5]

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

Cosponsors (18 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Spanberger, Abigail Davis [D-VA-7]	D · VA		Oct 19, 2021
Rep. Wild, Susan [D-PA-7]	D · PA		Oct 19, 2021
Rep. Bass, Karen [D-CA-37]	D · CA		Oct 28, 2021
Rep. Porter, Katie [D-CA-45]	D · CA		Oct 28, 2021
Rep. Roybal-Allard, Lucille [D-CA-40]	D · CA		Oct 28, 2021
Rep. Vargas, Juan [D-CA-51]	D · CA		Oct 28, 2021
Rep. Castro, Joaquin [D-TX-20]	D · TX		Nov 1, 2021
Rep. Titus, Dina [D-NV-1]	D · NV		Nov 1, 2021
Rep. McGovern, James P. [D-MA-2]	D · MA		Nov 3, 2021
Rep. Jacobs, Sara [D-CA-53]	D · CA		Nov 16, 2021
Rep. Sires, Albio [D-NJ-8]	D · NJ		Nov 16, 2021
Rep. Lieu, Ted [D-CA-33]	D · CA		Nov 23, 2021
Rep. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Nov 30, 2021
Rep. Deutch, Theodore E. [D-FL-22]	D · FL		Dec 2, 2021
Rep. Malinowski, Tom [D-NJ-7]	D · NJ		Dec 8, 2021
Rep. Phillips, Dean [D-MN-3]	D · MN		Dec 20, 2021
Rep. Connolly, Gerald E. [D-VA-11]	D · VA		Jan 28, 2022
Rep. Levin, Andy [D-MI-9]	D · MI		Feb 1, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	Oct 19, 2021
Rules Committee	House	Referred To	Oct 19, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Foreign Trade and International Finance

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 1473	Related bill	Apr 29, 2021: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

Summary (as of Oct 19, 2021)

Safeguarding Human Rights in Arms Exports Act of 2021 or the SAFEGUARD Act of 2021

This bill establishes specified measures to prevent the sale, export, or transfer of defense articles or defense services to foreign countries for use in violation of international humanitarian law or internationally recognized human rights.

These measures include (1) prohibiting arms sales to countries committing genocide or war crimes, (2) requiring a consideration of human rights practices and democratization in any foreign country to which an arms sale is contemplated, and (3) providing for congressional oversight of arms exports to foreign countries wherein certain human rights violations have occurred.

Actions Timeline

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