

HR 7779

DHS Restrictions on Confucius Institutes and Chinese Entities of Concern Act

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security Committee	House	Discharged from	May 19, 2022
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Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Education

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 5018	Related bill	Sep 29, 2022: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

Summary (as of Aug 19, 2022)

DHS Restrictions on Confucius Institutes and Chinese Entities of Concern Act

This bill restricts funding to an institution of higher education (IHE) that has a relationship with a Confucius Institute (a cultural institute directly or indirectly funded by the Chinese government). It also requires certain disclosures related to Chinese entities of concern (generally, universities or colleges involved in China's military, police, or intelligence activities).

Specifically, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) must ensure that an IHE that has awarded a contract to, entered into an agreement with, or received an in-kind donation or gift from a Confucius Institute is ineligible to receive specified funds from DHS, unless the IHE terminates the relationship. The IHE may regain eligibility for these funds upon termination of the relationship. DHS may waive this funding restriction, on a case-by-case basis and for a period of not more than one year, if it is in the national security interests of the United States.

Additionally, an IHE that has a relationship with a Chinese entity of concern and is seeking to receive or receives specified DHS funds must notify DHS about the relationship.

DHS must provide outreach and, upon request, technical assistance to IHEs related to compliance with this bill.

Actions Timeline

- **Aug 19, 2022:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Homeland Security. H. Rept. 117-454.
- **Aug 19, 2022:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 351.
- **May 19, 2022:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **May 19, 2022:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **May 19, 2022:** Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Innovation Discharged.
- **May 19, 2022:** Subcommittee on Oversight, Management, and Accountability Discharged.
- **May 17, 2022:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Innovation.
- **May 17, 2022:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Oversight, Management, and Accountability.
- **May 16, 2022:** Introduced in House
- **May 16, 2022:** Referred to the House Committee on Homeland Security.