

## HR 9489

### National Laboratory Biotechnology Research Act of 2022

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Science, Technology, Communications

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Foster, Bill [D-IL-11]

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

### Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred To	Dec 12, 2022
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	Dec 12, 2022
Science, Space, and Technology Committee	House	Referred To	Dec 12, 2022

### Subjects & Policy Tags

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### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 1624	Related bill	May 13, 2021: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

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This bill directs the Department of Energy (DOE) to establish a National Laboratory Biotechnology Program to integrate the resources of DOE, including the Office of Science, the Office of Intelligence and Counterintelligence, and the National Nuclear Security Administration, to provide research and development and response capabilities to respond to

- long-term biotechnology threats facing the United States, and
- any remaining threats posed by COVID-19.

The Office of Science shall support research that harnesses the capabilities of the national laboratories to address advanced biological threats of national security significance.

The Office of Science shall promote cooperative research and development activities under the program, including collaboration between appropriate industry and academic institutions to promote innovation and the creation of knowledge.

No less frequently than biennially, DOE shall develop a strategic research plan under the program.

### **Actions Timeline**

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