

S 1325

Western Hemisphere Partnership Act of 2023

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Risch, James E. [R-ID]

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

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Apr 26, 2023
Sen. Rubio, Marco [R-FL]	R · FL		May 3, 2023

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Relations Committee	Senate	Reported By	May 4, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

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International Affairs

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 HR 2670	Related bill	Dec 22, 2023: Became Public Law No: 118-31.
118 S 2226	Related bill	Jul 27, 2023: Senate ordered measure printed as passed.
118 S 1428	Related bill	May 3, 2023: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

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This bill states that the Department of State should collaborate with democratic partners to promote certain objectives in the Western Hemisphere: (1) improvement of security conditions and the rule of law; (2) digitalization and cybersecurity; (3) improvement of economic conditions; and (4) transparent, accountable, and democratic governance. These objectives do not apply to Cuba, Nicaragua, or Venezuela.

The bill also requires the President to submit to Congress a comprehensive strategy for investment, trade, and development in Latin America, the Caribbean, and Africa. The focus of this strategy shall be on increasing exports of U.S. goods and services to those regions.

The State Department must report to Congress on efforts by the Maduro regime of Venezuela to detain U.S. citizens and permanent residents.

Actions Timeline

- **May 4, 2023:** Committee on Foreign Relations. Reported by Senator Menendez with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. Without written report.
- **May 4, 2023:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 51.
- **May 3, 2023:** Committee on Foreign Relations. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Apr 26, 2023:** Introduced in Senate
- **Apr 26, 2023:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.