

HR 1501

UAS Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Government Operations and Politics

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Current Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Government

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Guest, Michael [R-MS-3]

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

Cosponsors (10 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. D'Esposito, Anthony [R-NY-4]	R · NY		Mar 9, 2023
Rep. Ezell, Mike [R-MS-4]	R · MS		Mar 9, 2023
Rep. Gimenez, Carlos A. [R-FL-28]	R · FL		Mar 9, 2023
Rep. Green, Mark E. [R-TN-7]	R · TN		Mar 9, 2023
Rep. Luttrell, Morgan [R-TX-8]	R · TX		Mar 9, 2023
Rep. Pfluger, August [R-TX-11]	R · TX		Mar 9, 2023
Rep. Lee, Laurel M. [R-FL-15]	R · FL		Apr 6, 2023
Rep. McCaul, Michael T. [R-TX-10]	R · TX		Apr 20, 2023
Rep. Cuellar, Henry [D-TX-28]	D · TX		May 16, 2023
Rep. LaLota, Nick [R-NY-1]	R · NY		May 24, 2023

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Sep 5, 2023
Homeland Security Committee	House	Discharged from	May 17, 2023
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Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Unmanned Aerial Security Act or the UAS Act

This bill prohibits the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) from operating, financing, or procuring unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) or UAS operating, detection, or identification systems that are manufactured in certain foreign countries or by business entities domiciled in such foreign countries.

Applicable foreign countries include those identified as foreign adversaries in the intelligence community's latest annual threat assessment and other countries designated by DHS.

DHS may waive the prohibition for (1) the national interest of the United States; (2) counter-UAS surrogate research, testing, development, evaluation, or training; or (3) intelligence, electronic warfare, or information warfare operations, testing, analysis, and training.

An office or component of DHS may continue to operate a UAS or system in its inventory that would otherwise be prohibited until DHS grants or denies a waiver or until one year after this bill is enacted, whichever is later.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 5, 2023:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
- **Jul 27, 2023:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H4052)
- **Jul 27, 2023:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: 7/25/2023 CR H3936-3937)
- **Jul 27, 2023:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: 7/25/2023 CR H3936-3937)
- **Jul 27, 2023:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jul 25, 2023:** Mr. Guest moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Jul 25, 2023:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H3936-3938)
- **Jul 25, 2023:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 1501.
- **Jul 25, 2023:** At the conclusion of debate, the chair put the question on the motion to suspend the rules. Mr. Guest objected to the vote on the grounds that a quorum was not present. Further proceedings on the motion were postponed. The point of no quorum was considered as withdrawn.
- **Jul 19, 2023:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Homeland Security. H. Rept. 118-151.
- **Jul 19, 2023:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 119.
- **May 17, 2023:** Subcommittee on Counterterrorism, Law Enforcement, and Intelligence Discharged.
- **May 17, 2023:** Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Accountability Discharged.
- **May 17, 2023:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **May 17, 2023:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Mar 10, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Counterterrorism, Law Enforcement, and Intelligence.
- **Mar 10, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Accountability.
- **Mar 9, 2023:** Introduced in House
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