

HR 1516

DHS Restrictions on Confucius Institutes and Chinese Entities of Concern Act

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Sep 12, 2024
Homeland Security Committee	House	Discharged from	Nov 8, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Education

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 HRES 1430	Related bill	Sep 10, 2024: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
118 S 1121	Related bill	Mar 30, 2023: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

Summary (as of Dec 19, 2023)

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

- **Sep 12, 2024:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
- **Sep 10, 2024:** Rules Committee Resolution H. Res. 1430 Reported to House. Rule provides for consideration of H.R. 1398, H.R. 1425, H.R. 1516, H.R. 7980, H.R. 9456 and H.R. 9494. The resolution provides for consideration of H.R. 1398, H.R. 1425, and H.R. 1516 under a structured rule and H.R. 7980, H.R. 9456, and H.R. 9494 under a closed rule. The resolution provides for one hour of general debate and one motion to recommit on each bill.
- **Sep 10, 2024:** Considered under the provisions of rule H. Res. 1430. (consideration: CR H5119-5128)
- **Sep 10, 2024:** Rule provides for consideration of H.R. 1398, H.R. 1425, H.R. 1516, H.R. 7980, H.R. 9456 and H.R. 9494. The resolution provides for consideration of H.R. 1398, H.R. 1425, and H.R. 1516 under a structured rule and H.R. 7980, H.R. 9456, and H.R. 9494 under a closed rule. The resolution provides for one hour of general debate and one motion to recommit on each bill.
- **Sep 10, 2024:** House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union pursuant to H. Res. 1430 and Rule XVIII.
- **Sep 10, 2024:** The Speaker designated the Honorable Stephanie I. Bice to act as Chairwoman of the Committee.
- **Sep 10, 2024:** GENERAL DEBATE - The Committee of the Whole proceeded with one hour of general debate on H.R. 1516.
- **Sep 10, 2024:** DEBATE - Pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 1430, the Committee of the Whole proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Gottheimer amendment No. 1.
- **Sep 10, 2024:** DEBATE - Pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 1430, the Committee of the Whole proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Stauber amendment No. 2.
- **Sep 10, 2024:** DEBATE - Pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 1430, the Committee of the Whole proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Crockett amendment No. 3.
- **Sep 10, 2024:** DEBATE - Pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 1430, the Committee of the Whole proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Cline amendment No. 4.
- **Sep 10, 2024:** POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of debate on the Cline amendment No. 4, the Chair put the question on agreeing to the amendment and by voice vote, announced that the ayes had prevailed. Mr. Thompson (MS) demanded a recorded vote and the Chair postponed further proceedings until a time to be announced.
- **Sep 10, 2024:** DEBATE - Pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 1430, the Committee of the Whole proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Cline amendment No. 5.
- **Sep 10, 2024:** DEBATE - Pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 1430, the Committee of the Whole proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Nunn (IA) amendment No. 6.
- **Sep 10, 2024:** Mr. Guest moved that the committee rise.
- **Sep 10, 2024:** On motion that the committee rise Agreed to by voice vote.
- **Sep 10, 2024:** Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union rises leaving H.R. 1516 as unfinished business.
- **Sep 10, 2024:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H5128-5129)
- **Sep 10, 2024:** The House resolved into Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for further consideration.
- **Sep 10, 2024:** The House rose from the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union to report H.R. 1516.
- **Sep 10, 2024:** The previous question was ordered pursuant to the rule.
- **Sep 10, 2024:** The House adopted the amendments en gros as agreed to by the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.
- **Sep 10, 2024:** Mr. Magaziner moved to recommit to the Committee on Homeland Security.
- **Sep 10, 2024:** The previous question on the motion to recommit was ordered pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XIX.
- **Sep 10, 2024:** On motion to recommit Failed by the Yeas and Nays: 197 - 213 (Roll no. 407). (CR H5129)
- **Sep 10, 2024:** Passed/agreed to in House: On passage Passed by the Yeas and Nays: 249 - 161 (Roll no. 408).
- **Sep 10, 2024:** On passage Passed by the Yeas and Nays: 249 - 161 (Roll no. 408).
- **Sep 10, 2024:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Sep 6, 2024:** Supplemental report filed by the Committee on Homeland Security, H. Rept. 118-319, Part II.
- **Dec 19, 2023:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Homeland Security. H. Rept. 118-319.
- **Dec 19, 2023:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 258.
- **Nov 8, 2023:** Subcommittee on Counterterrorism, Law Enforcement, and Intelligence Discharged
- **Nov 8, 2023:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held

Nov 8, 2023: Ordered to be Reported in the Nature of a Substitute (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 16 - 12.

- **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
- **Mar 9, 2023:** Referred to the House Committee on Homeland Security.