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Strengthening Sanctions on Fentanyl Traffickers Act of 2023

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

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Current Status: Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. Hearings held.

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]

Party: Democratic • **State:** NJ • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Committee	Senate	Hearings By (full committee)	Jan 11, 2024

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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This bill provides statutory authority for certain sanctions and extends certain requirements with respect to foreign individuals or entities involved in trafficking fentanyl or fentanyl analogues into the United States.

For example, the bill extends until December 31, 2030, provisions that require the President to report on foreign opioid traffickers. It also requires the President to prioritize individuals who are citizens or nationals of China and entities that are based in China, including pharmaceutical companies, that are involved in trafficking fentanyl or fentanyl analogues in these reports.

In addition, the bill requires the President to continue to impose certain sanctions against specified transnational criminal cartels (i.e., Mexican cartels) and to notify Congress before ending such sanctions.

The bill also provides statutory authority for the executive order titled *Imposing Sanctions on Foreign Persons Involved in the Global Illicit Drug Trade*, which was issued on December 15, 2021. The order authorizes certain sanctions against foreign individuals or entities that are engaged in international drug trafficking, including blocking banking, property, and other financial transactions.

Actions Timeline

- **Jan 11, 2024:** Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. Hearings held.
- **Jun 20, 2023:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jun 20, 2023:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

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