

HR 3254

First Responder Access to Innovative Technologies Act

Congress: 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Emergency Management

Introduced: May 11, 2023

Current Status: Became Public Law No: 118-165.

Latest Action: Became Public Law No: 118-165. (Dec 23, 2024)

Law: 118-165 (Enacted Dec 23, 2024)

Official Text: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/118th-congress/house-bill/3254>

Sponsor

Name: Rep. Payne, Donald M., Jr. [D-NJ-10]

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

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Strong, Dale W. [R-AL-5]	R · AL		May 11, 2023

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Reported By	Nov 13, 2024
Homeland Security Committee	House	Reported By	Jul 20, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Emergency Management

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Dec 23, 2024)

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This act directs the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to implement a uniform process for reviewing applications for certain anti-terrorism grants to urban areas and state, local, and tribal governments.

Specifically, the uniform review must be done for grant applications requesting to purchase first responder equipment or systems that do not meet or exceed any applicable national voluntary consensus standards.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 23, 2024:** Signed by President.
- **Dec 23, 2024:** Became Public Law No: 118-165.
- **Dec 17, 2024:** Presented to President.
- **Dec 11, 2024:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Dec 10, 2024:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **Dec 10, 2024:** Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S6934)
- **Nov 13, 2024:** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Reported by Senator Peters without amendment. With written report No. 118-243.
- **Nov 13, 2024:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 557.
- **Jul 31, 2024:** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **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 Agreed to by voice vote. (text: 7/25/2023 CR H3938)
- **Jul 27, 2023:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote. (text: 7/25/2023 CR H3938)
- **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.
- **Jul 25, 2023:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H3938-3939)
- **Jul 25, 2023:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 3254.
- **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 by the Committee on Homeland Security. H. Rept. 118-152.
- **Jul 19, 2023:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 120.
- **May 17, 2023:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **May 17, 2023:** Ordered to be Reported by Voice Vote.
- **May 11, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **May 11, 2023:** Referred to the House Committee on Homeland Security.