

HR 3748

SAFE Act of 2023

Congress: 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Agriculture and Food

Introduced: May 30, 2023

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Trade.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Trade. (Dec 17, 2024)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Feenstra, Randy [R-IA-4]

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

Cosponsors (14 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Panetta, Jimmy [D-CA-19]	D · CA		May 30, 2023
Rep. Newhouse, Dan [R-WA-4]	R · WA		Jun 6, 2023
Rep. Moore, Barry [R-AL-2]	R · AL		Jun 13, 2023
Rep. Bost, Mike [R-IL-12]	R · IL		Jun 20, 2023
Rep. Crockett, Jasmine [D-TX-30]	D · TX		Jun 20, 2023
Rep. Jackson, Ronny [R-TX-13]	R · TX		Jun 20, 2023
Rep. Matsui, Doris O. [D-CA-7]	D · CA		Jun 20, 2023
Rep. Lawler, Michael [R-NY-17]	R · NY		Jun 30, 2023
Rep. Van Drew, Jefferson [R-NJ-2]	R · NJ		Jun 30, 2023
Rep. Rouzer, David [R-NC-7]	R · NC		Jul 11, 2023
Rep. Baird, James R. [R-IN-4]	R · IN		Jul 19, 2023
Rep. Nickel, Wiley [D-NC-13]	D · NC		Aug 1, 2023
Rep. LaHood, Darin [R-IL-16]	R · IL		Oct 11, 2023
Rep. Miller-Meeks, Mariannette [R-IA-1]	R · IA		Jun 18, 2024

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred To	May 30, 2023
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Dec 17, 2024

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Agriculture and Food

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 HR 8467	Related bill	May 24, 2024: Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 33 - 21.
118 S 901	Related bill	Mar 21, 2023: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

Summary (as of May 30, 2023)

Safe American Food Exports Act of 2023 or the SAFE Act of 2023

This bill allows the Department of Agriculture (USDA) to preemptively negotiate regional export ban agreements for known animal disease threats that apply only to areas affected by animal disease outbreaks to enable the continuation of exports from areas not affected by an outbreak. The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, the Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS), and the Foreign Agricultural Service, in consultation with the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative, are authorized to negotiate the regionalization, zoning, compartmentalization, and other trade agreements regarding outbreaks of known animal disease threats of trade significance with countries with export markets for livestock animals or animal products from the United States.

In addition, USDA must promulgate a regulation requiring that, within three days of removing any language from the FSIS Import and Export Library, FSIS notify each state department of agriculture, each lead state agency for animal disease, and any state and national producer organizations representing impacted livestock producers. (The FSIS library provides country and product specific information for (1) meat and poultry exports, and (2) products eligible for import to the United States.)

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 17, 2024:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Trade.
- **May 30, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **May 30, 2023:** Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.