

HR 4143

National Construction Safety Team Enhancement Act of 2024

Congress: 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Science, Technology, Communications

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Current Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transp

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Lofgren, Zoe [D-CA-18]

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

Cosponsors (17 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Lucas, Frank D. [R-OK-3]	R · OK		Jun 15, 2023
Rep. Bonamici, Suzanne [D-OR-1]	D · OR		Jul 13, 2023
Rep. Bowman, Jamaal [D-NY-16]	D · NY		Jul 13, 2023
Rep. Caraveo, Yadira [D-CO-8]	D · CO		Jul 13, 2023
Rep. Casten, Sean [D-IL-6]	D · IL		Jul 13, 2023
Rep. Foushee, Valerie P. [D-NC-4]	D · NC		Jul 13, 2023
Rep. Jackson, Jeff [D-NC-14]	D · NC		Jul 13, 2023
Rep. Kean, Thomas H. [R-NJ-7]	R · NJ		Jul 13, 2023
Rep. Lee, Summer L. [D-PA-12]	D · PA		Jul 13, 2023
Rep. Lieu, Ted [D-CA-36]	D · CA		Jul 13, 2023
Rep. Obernolte, Jay [R-CA-23]	R · CA		Jul 13, 2023
Rep. Ross, Deborah K. [D-NC-2]	D · NC		Jul 13, 2023
Rep. Sorensen, Eric [D-IL-17]	D · IL		Jul 13, 2023
Rep. Stevens, Haley M. [D-MI-11]	D · MI		Jul 13, 2023
Rep. Sykes, Emilia Strong [D-OH-13]	D · OH		Jul 13, 2023
Rep. Tenney, Claudia [R-NY-24]	R · NY		Jul 13, 2023
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Jul 19, 2023

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 9, 2024
Science, Space, and Technology Committee	House	Reported By	Sep 1, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Science, Technology, Communications

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 S 4446	Identical bill	Jun 4, 2024: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

Summary (as of May 8, 2024)

National Construction Safety Team Enhancement Act of 2024

This bill expands the authority of the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) to investigate structural failures other than those involving buildings and to recommend related improvements to engineering standards and practices.

Specifically, the bill expands the investigative authority of NIST's National Construction Safety Teams. Currently, these teams are authorized to investigate the structural failure of a building that has resulted in substantial loss of life or that had the significant potential to cause a substantial loss of life. These teams must (1) identify the likely cause of the failure, (2) evaluate the technical aspects of evacuation and response procedures, and (3) recommend ways to improve building standards, codes, and practices and other related actions based on their findings.

The bill expands this authority beyond buildings to include other types of structures and related engineering standards and practices.

Actions Timeline

- **May 9, 2024:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
- **May 8, 2024:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H2986-2987)
- **May 8, 2024:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 358 - 41 (Roll no. 195). (text: 5/7/2024 CR H2922)
- **May 8, 2024:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 358 - 41 (Roll no. 195). (text: 5/7/2024 CR H2922)
- **May 8, 2024:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **May 7, 2024:** Mr. Kean (NJ) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **May 7, 2024:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H2922-2923)
- **May 7, 2024:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 4143.
- **May 7, 2024:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **Sep 1, 2023:** Reported by the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. H. Rept. 118-175.
- **Sep 1, 2023:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 139.
- **Jun 21, 2023:** Ordered to be Reported by the Yeas and Nays: 30 - 0.
- **Jun 21, 2023:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held
- **Jun 15, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 15, 2023:** Referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.