

HR 6282

Humane Accountability Act

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security Committee	House	Referred to	Nov 7, 2023
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Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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This bill requires the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to jointly report to Congress and the Government Accountability Office (GAO) about assaults, deaths, complaints, and related instances involving immigration detainees. GAO must subsequently issue recommendations to address the reported instances.

The joint report must include information from detention centers related to

- detainee deaths while in custody;
- assault or abuse of a detainee while in custody by an officer, staff, or other detainee that requires medical attention;
- sexual assault of detainees while in custody and investigative findings from each such assault;
- complaints submitted by detainees or their families regarding abuse, sexual assault, staff neglect or retaliation, lack of proper resources or amenities, lack of access to legal counsel, or death; and
- the centers' actions to address and remedy such complaints from detainees or their families.

The report must provide information regarding detention centers operated by U.S. Customs and Border Protection, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, and the Office of Refugee Resettlement.

The bill requires GAO to provide Congress with a list of recommendations to address the information in the report within 90 days following GAO's receipt of such report.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 7, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Nov 7, 2023:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Homeland Security, 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.
- **Nov 7, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Border Security and Enforcement.