

HR 8420

Filling Public Safety Vacancies Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

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Sponsor

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Committee Activity

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| Appropriations Committee | House | Referred To | May 16, 2024 |
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Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

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Related Bills

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| 118 S 972 | Related bill | Mar 23, 2023: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Appropriations. |

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The bill provides additional funding for grants for the hiring and rehiring of additional career law enforcement officers under the Department of Justice's Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) program.

The bill also requires law enforcement agencies that use the funds to hire or rehire a law enforcement officer to (1) perform a background check on the law enforcement officer, and (2) ensure that the law enforcement officer undergoes a psychological evaluation.

Actions Timeline

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