

HR 9597

Federal Acquisition Security Council Improvement Act of 2024

Congress: 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Government Operations and Politics

Introduced: Sep 16, 2024

Current Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Government

Latest Action: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. (Nov 13, 2024)

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Nov 13, 2024
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Markup By	Sep 18, 2024

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 S 5310	Identical bill	Dec 16, 2024: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 702.

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This bill revises the structure and function of the Federal Acquisition Security Council (FASC), including by authorizing FASC to declare certain vendors associated with foreign adversaries ineligible to participate in federal procurement.

Specifically, Congress may designate for FASC review vendors (1) that are operating on behalf of, or are subject to the jurisdiction or control of, foreign adversaries; or (2) that pose a risk to national security based on their association with a foreign adversary's military or intelligence forces. The covered *foreign adversaries* are China, Iran, North Korea, and Russia.

FASC must review each designated vendor to determine whether to issue an order excluding the vendor from executive agencies' procurement actions or requiring covered articles produced or provided by the vendor to be removed from agencies' information systems. (Currently, *covered articles* include telecommunications equipment and services, information technology and information processing, and other systems or devices that include information technology.) Vendors subject to an exclusion or removal order may submit information in opposition for FASC's consideration before the order is finalized.

Separately, the bill broadens FASC's functions related to supply chain risk to include a focus on acquisition security and risks associated with the procurement and use of covered articles.

The bill also reallocates authorized funding for FASC from the Office of Management and Budget to the Office of the National Cyber Director (ONCD), and establishes a FASC program office within ONCD to provide subject matter expertise and administrative and legal support.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 13, 2024:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
- **Nov 12, 2024:** Mr. Higgins (LA) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Nov 12, 2024:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H5937-5940)
- **Nov 12, 2024:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 9597.
- **Nov 12, 2024:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H5937-5939)
- **Nov 12, 2024:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H5937-5939)
- **Nov 12, 2024:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Sep 18, 2024:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held
- **Sep 18, 2024:** Ordered to be Reported in the Nature of a Substitute by the Yeas and Nays: 39 - 0.
- **Sep 16, 2024:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 16, 2024:** Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Accountability.